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The experiment of civilizing Indians by enlisting them appears to have been a dead failure. If Indians are wanted in the Army, they should be sought for among Capt. Pratt's educated red men, and not among the wild aborigines. Orders were issued by Secretary Lamont on Tuesday last directing the consolidation of the two remaining commands of Indians, and, as was indicated recently in the Journal, they will be known as Troop L, of the 7th Cavalry. The two organizations which have been ordered consolidated were known as Co. I, of the 10th Infantry, and Troop L, of the 7th Cavalry, both of which were stationed at Fort Sill, Ind. Ter. The infantry command had a membership of 35 men and the cavalry troop carried 50 names on its rolls. The consolidated troop will be under the command of Capt. Henry L. Scott, 7th Cav., who commanded the Indian Troop. The two lieutenants who have been with the infantry company and the troop will remain under Capt. Scott. In order to get the Indian out of the service as quickly as possible, it has been determined not to issue any horses to the infantrymen who have joined the cavalry troop. The Indians in the latter organization are all supplied with animals. As the authorities have determined not to retain the red men in the service, it is not thought necessary to supply the foot soldiers with horses. Secretary Lamont has also issued orders directing that under no circumstances shall further enlistments or re-enlistments of Indians be made. The result of this will be that as soon as the present terms of enlistments of the men now in service are up they will be discharged, and that not very many more months will pass ere the Redskin has been retired from the service. The attempt to make soldiers of Indians has been a costly one, and nothing has been gained to any way compensate for the outlay. The scheme of organizing Indian troops was originated by Secretary Proctor when he was at the head of the War Department. It was enthusiastically pushed for a time, and a large number of the aborigines were enlisted, but it was found that the Indians could not, or would not, submit to Army discipline, and the consequence was the disbandment of company after company, until to-day two commands only remain in the service, and these will soon be consolidated. It is said at the War Department that Capt. Scott, commanding Troop L, deserves great credit for the way in which he has trained the Indians under him. He has worked early and late in an effort to make them efficient soldiers, and his efforts have not been altogether unsuccessful. In giving him the command of the combined organizations, it is intended to compliment him on the ability he has displayed in handling the redskins he has had under him.

It is not at all certain that Lieut. Col. George A. Purington, 3d Cav., who was ordered before a retiring board a few days ago, will be found unfit for active service. It is understood that it is the intention of Lieut. Col. Purington to contest his retirement. Should he be placed on the retired list, however, there will be 34 vacancies existing for this year's graduating class of the Military Academy. The board of medical officers, consisting of Col. Charles H. Alden, Maj. Geo. H. Torney and Capt. Guy L. Edie, which examined the members of the graduating class last week, found all physically sound and recommended their graduation. There are, therefore, 52 men to look out for. Six of these, it is expected, will be assigned to the Engineer Corps; 34 will be assigned to regiment vacancies, and the remaining 12 will be ordered as additional. Comdr. Oscar F. Heyerman was recommended for retirement on Thursday last. His retirement will make 21 vacancies in the line of the Navy. There are now 26 in the Engineer Corps, so that there are plenty of vacancies for the Naval Academy graduating class. Although several of these young gentlemen were found to be physically defective, it is understood that their defects will in most instances be waived.

It is apparent that there must soon be an increase of the Ordnance Corps of the Army. The strength of the corps, as fixed by law, is 54 officers, and although Gen. Flagler has distributed them around as best he can, there are still a number of places where officers could be stationed were they available. The great majority of the members of the corps are stationed at arsenals or powder depots, where they are absolutely needed. Only six are on duty as Inspectors, and it is lack of officers for this duty that the authorities consider themselves weak. Under the present condition, the inspectors have to be kept jumping from one place to another, with the result that they are greatly overworked. Gen. Flagler impressed upon the last Congress the necessity of increasing his corps, but while it was admitted that this should be done, no definite action was taken on his suggestions. It is to be hoped that the next Congress will take steps looking to the much needed increase of the corps.

Friday of this week, June 14, the 117th anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the national ensign, was appropriately observed throughout the country.

#### INFANTRY AND CAVALRY SCHOOL.

One thousand separate pieces of sketch work have been placed for exhibition in the annex to Sherman Hall, showing a high order of merit of road sketches, many of which come within 300 yards of showing correct details of a de-tour of road covering nineteen miles.

The final examinations of the student class began on Monday, June 3, and continued daily, Sundays excepted, until completed, as follows: Department of Law—Monday the 3d, and Tuesday, the 4th. Department of Military Art—Wednesday the 5th, Thursday the 6th, and Friday the 7th. Department of Cavalry—Saturday the 8th, and Monday the 10th. Department of Engineering—Tuesday the 11th, and Wednesday the 12th. The graduating exercises will take place Monday the 17th. The names of the graduating class, arranged according to rank, with the titles of their graduating exercises, are as follows:

1—1st Lieut. W. Black, 24th Inf., "Extended Order of Fighting for Infantry." 2—1st Lieut. J. C. Waterman, 8th Cav., "Considerations in Training Horses for Cavalry." 3—1st Lieut. J. A. Perry, 8th Inf., "Military Education in the United States." 4—1st Lieut. C. H. Muir, 2d Inf., "Preparation of the Infantry Soldier." 5—1st Lieut. F. Owen, 14th Inf., "The Soldier of To-day." 6—2d Lieut. E. Wittemeyer, 9th Inf., "Changes in Tactics, Incident to the Improvement in Modern Fire-arms." 7—2d Lieut. E. C. Carnahan, 12th Inf., "The Military Value of Our Water-ways." 8—2d Lieut. P. C. Harris, 13th Inf., "Intrenching Tools for Infantry." 9—2d Lieut. M. McFarland, 21st Inf., "The Methods to be Adopted for the Prompt Preparation of a Volunteer Force for War." 10—2d Lieut. J. P. Ryan, 3 Cav., "Some Cavalry Lessons from the Civil War." 11—2d Lieut. G. P. Lowe, 18th Inf., "The Enlisted Man." 12—2d Lieut. W. Chase, 20th Inf., "An Army for the United States." 13—2d Lieut. M. R. Peterson, 10th Inf., "The Defense and Defence of 'Plevna'." 14—2d Lieut. J. E. Nornoyle, 23d Inf., "The Line of Communications." 15—2d Lieut. W. S. Wood, 10th Cav., "The Supply of an Army." 16—2d Lieut. J. J. Hornbrook, 2d Cav., "Our Common Roads." 17—2d Lieut. H. J. Hunt, 15th Inf., "Means of Communication for an Army in the Field." 18—2d Lieut. J. R. Seyburn, 24th Inf., "The Employment of Troops Against Mobs in Cities." 19—2d Lieut. E. D. Anderson, 4th Cav., "The Officer's Patrol." 20—2d Lieut. L. C. Scherer, 5th Cav., "Limitations of the National Guard."

21—2d Lieut. R. L. Hamilton, 22d Inf., "Improvements that Have Been Made in Small Fire-arms, and Consequent Effect Upon Tactical Formations." 22—2d Lieut. J. S. Switzer, 4th Inf., "Military Training." 23—2d Lieut. J. G. Harbord, 5th Cav., "The Regular Army in the History of the United States." 24—2d Lieut. J. O'Shea, 7th Cav., "Military Observations on the Labor Troubles of 1894." 25—2d Lieut. B. F. Hardaway, 17th Inf., "The Wheel in War." 26—2d Lieut. J. E. Brady, Jr., 19th Inf., "The Military Telegraph." 27—2d Lieut. C. R. Krauthoff, 14th Inf., "The Material of a Modern Light Battery." 28—2d Lieut. A. C. Dalton, 22d Inf., "The Modern Theory of Extended Order." 29—2d Lieut. M. A. Batson, 9th Cav., "Schools for Enlisted Men." 30—2d Lieut. E. L. Phillips, 6th Cav., "Night Observations in Land Warfare."

31—2d Lieut. J. C. Castner, 4th Inf., "Physical Culture in Our Army To-day." 32—2d Lieut. E. Sigerfoos, 3rd Inf., "The Military Policy of the United States." 33—2d Lieut. A. W. Yates, 9th Inf., "Military Force for Suppression of Insurrection and Acts of Domestic Violence." 34—2d Lieut. E. A. Shuttleworth, 11th Inf., "The Transportation and Supply of Troops in the Field." 35—2d Lieut. F. W. Fugger, 13th Inf., "Railroads in the Civil War." 36—2d Lieut. J. Howard, 19th Inf., "Some Needs of the Infantryman in the Field." 37—2d Lieut. R. H. Van Deman, 21st Inf., "A Rational Method of Instruction for the National Guard." 38—2d Lieut. R. C. Williams, 1st Cav., "The Training of Cavalry for Modern War." 39—2d Lieut. J. S. Murdoch, 25th Inf., "Defiles." 40—2d Lieut. W. H. Simons, 6th Inf., "Development of Tactics in the War of Secession." 41—2d Lieut. V. Wallace, 7th Inf., "The Conflict Between Capital and Labor."

The programme for graduating day is as follows: Prayer; music, "Nearer My God to Thee"; essay, "The Conflict Between Capital and Labor"; 2d Lieut. William Wallace, 7th Inf.; music, "Star Spangled Banner"; address to graduating class; music, "Hail Columbia"; delivery of diplomas; music, "America"; benediction; music, "Auld Lang Syne."

The following officers have been designated by the Lieutenant General as principals for detail for the course of instruction to commence at the school, Sept. 1, 1895:

Cavalry—1st Regt., 2d Lieut. Edw. Anderson; 2d, 2d Lieut. C. C. Smith; 3d, 2d Lieut. G. P. White; 4th, 2d Lieut. J. H. Reeves; 5th, 2d Lieut. P. Clayton, Jr.; 6th, 1st Lieut. J. M. Stotsenburg; 7th, 2d Lieut. F. Tompkins; 8th, 2d Lieut. Kirkpatrick; 9th, 1st Lieut. C. J. Stevens; 10th, 1st Lieut. Wm. H. Smith.

Infantry—1st Regt., 2d Lieut. W. M. Crofton; 2d, 2d Lieut. P. E. Marquart; 3d, 2d Lieut. B. A. Wolf; 4th, 2d Lieut. J. H. Wholley; 5th, 2d Lieut. J. F. Madden; 6th, 2d Lieut. G. C. Saffarins; 7th, 2d Lieut. J. R. M. Taylor; 8th, 1st Lieut. Ed. Hubert; 9th, 1st Lieut. J. P. Finley; 10th, 2d Lieut. J. F. Stephens; 11th, 2d Lieut. H. O. Williams; 12th, 2d Lieut. Willie Uline; 13th, 1st Lieut. W. N. Hughes; 14th, 2d Lieut. J. R. Lindsay; 15th, 2d Lieut. G. McD. Weeks; 16th, 2d Lieut. G. D. Guyer; 17th, 1st Lieut. J. T. Kerr; 18th, 1st Lieut. J. C. Gregg; 19th, 2d Lieut. Jos. Frazier; 20th, 2d Lieut. R. W. Mearns; 21st, 2d Lieut. W. M. Morrow; 22d, 2d Lieut. O. R. Wolfe; 23d, 2d Lieut. T. F. Schley; 24th, 2d Lieut. H. J. Price; 25th, 2d Lieut. V. A. Caldwell.

#### RECENT DEATHS.

Capt. I. C. Batson, of Carbondale, Ill., father of Lieut. M. A. Batson, 9th Cav., was recently run over by a railroad train and killed.

Mrs. Galt, wife of Lieut. R. H. Galt, U. S. N., died June 7 at Annapolis, Md., leaving a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn her loss.

Chaplain Robert Given, U. S. N., retired, who died at Philadelphia June 4, entered the Navy as Chaplain in 1855 and was retired from active service April 10, 1881.

Mr. James Tilton, who died suddenly at Washington, D. C., was a son of the late Commander E. G. Tilton, U. S. N. (who died Feb. 8, 1861), a brother of Lieut. Col. McLane Tilton, U. S. Marine Corps, and of Mrs. Emory, widow of Capt. Campbell D. Emory, U. S. A.

Mrs. Florence Booth, wife of Capt. Chas. Alfred Booth, Asst. Quartermaster, U. S. A., who died June 3 at Omaha, Neb., had been ill for some weeks with rheumatic fever, but the end so soon was not expected. Mrs. Booth's father was an officer of the Navy, and she was born in Florence, Italy. From the city of her nativity she took her given name. She was married about sixteen years ago to Capt. Booth in Washington, and leaves a daughter, now 14 years of age. She leaves, aside from her husband and daughter, a sister, who is a resident of Philadelphia, and a brother, Lieut. J. A. Lockwood, 4th Cav., both of whom, with her husband, were by her bedside when the final summons came. The remains were sent to Washington for interment.

Capt. William Charles Rawolle, 2d Cav., on sick leave for some time past at 263 Hicks street, Brooklyn, died suddenly June 10 of heart failure. The deceased officer was born in Prussia. When the War broke out, he was in New York and was appointed 2d Lieut. of the 2d New York Art., October 26, 1861. Was mustered out in June, 1862, to accept appointment as Capt. and A. A. D. C. He resigned in August, 1865, and in June, 1868, was appointed 2d Lieut. 2d U. S. Cav., and awarded the grade of Captain in 1880. He had an excellent War record, receiving the brevets of Major and Lieutenant, Colonel, U. S. V., for gallan and meritorious services in many battles. After the War he was Quartermaster and also Adjutant of his regiment for some years. The remains were interred with military honors in Greenwood Cemetery on June 12.

#### GRADUATING WEEK AT WEST POINT.

The exercises of graduating week at the Military Academy were concluded on Wednesday of this week. The weather was delightful and the usual open air exercises attending the delivery of the diplomas attracted a large crowd. Adj. Gen. Ruggles spoke briefly but very much to the point in delivering the parchments. The graduating address was able and interesting, but somewhat too long. A graceful tribute paid to the officers of the Army called forth appreciative applause. The standing of the graduates is as follows:

1. Schulz; 2. Burgess, Engineers, Ordnance, Artillery, Cavalry or Infantry. 3. Gurney; 4. Bugge; 5. Conrad; 6. Smith, H. E.; 7. Stout, Ordnance, Artillery, Cavalry or Infantry. 8. White; 9. Knowlton; 10. Paine, C. H.; 11. Ames; 12. Arnold, C. H.; 13. Averill; 14. Cavenagh; 15. Wheeler, J.; 16. Fleming; 17. Payne, B.; 18. Bigelow; 19. Sills; 20. Nissen; 21. Darrah; 22. Mitchell, A.; 23. Miles; 24. McGrew, Artillery, Cavalry or Infantry. 25. Hawkins; 26. Richardson; 27. Parker; 28. Howland; 29. Siviter; 30. Smith, M. F.; 31. Nutman; 32. Davis, G. H.; 33. Hutton; 34. Herron; 35. Dixon; 36. Brookes; 37. Pritchard; 38. Dwyer; 39. Smith, F. W.; 40. McBroom; 41. Lewis, L. H.; 42. Stanley; 43. Simmons; 44. Augustin; 45. Creden; 46. Sturtevant; 47. Bash; 48. Springer; 49. Watson; 50. Charles; 51. Pearce, T. A.; 52. Duncan, Cavalry or Infantry.

Cadet Wheeler was present on crutches, and received a good share of the hearty cheering with which each graduate was honored. The football men are always universal favorites with the small boys—and girls—and the amount of applause with which their names are greeted is increased by shrill piping trebles from the outskirts of the crowd.

The drill in extended order occupied the entire corps Tuesday afternoon. The "last dress parade" was witnessed by a vast crowd of spectators. It is always an affecting sight and is seldom witnessed unmoved. The strains of "Home, Sweet Home" call forth associations which usually visibly affect the visitors.

The ball was unusually well attended. A list which would do anything like justice to the number present would be too long.

Cadet Schulz, who is of German descent, was born in West Virginia, and was graduated from a Wheeling public school in 1889. He has kept his position at the head of the class since the June examination of 1893. Indoor athletics are his favorite diversion. Indian clubs and trapeze exercises. Burgess, who was a close second, was ranking lieutenant in Co. B. Gurney was corps quartermaster. Bugge, who is one of the most popular men in his class, played right tackle in the football team and was captain of Co. C. Conrad is a son of Capt. C. H. Conrad, 15th Inf., who is to be congratulated on the honors the young man has won. He was first in history, second in law and in civil engineering and fourth in ordnance and gunnery. Harry E. Smith was a Lieutenant in Co. D, of which Stout was the ranking lieutenant. Stout has always been a prominent member of the baseball team. White is a half-brother of Lieut. D. H. Broughton, 3d Cav. He was President of his class, President of the Dialectic Society, Manager of the football team and captain of Co. B. Knowlton was President of the Young Men's Christian Association. Paline is a man of musical tastes, the mandolin being his favorite instrument. Hawkins is a son of Gen. Hawkins, of Pennsylvania. Parker is the son of Maj. Richard C. Parker, Capt., U. S. A., retired. Smith, Morton T., was adjutant of the corps. He is the son of Gen. J. C. Smith, Grand Rapids, Mich. He is one of the football team and in the play against Annapolis made a touchdown. Stanley is the son of Brig. Gen. David S. Stanley, retired. He is a lieutenant in Co. D. Ames is first captain of the corps and center of the football team. Arnold is the son of Lieut. Comdr. C. H. Arnold, U. S. N. He is to be married shortly to the daughter of Philip F. Harvey, Major and Surg., U. S. A.

Wheeler is a son of Gen. Joseph Wheeler, a member of the present Board of Visitors. Darrah was a lieutenant in Co. B. McGrew was ranking lieutenant of Co. A. Augustin has distinguished himself as an amateur actor in the various cadet entertainments. Creden has frequently served as umpire in the football matches. Bash is the son of Maj. Daniel N. Bash, U. S. A., retired. Springer is one of the football team. It will be remembered that he broke a leg last year in a football match. Duncan, who has the honor of commanding the rear guard, is one of the most popular men in his class, as was shown by the hearty round of applause that greeted his reception of the diploma. He played full back on the football team and in the game with Yale kicked goal, scoring five for West Point. He also scored against Princeton in 1893, making the longest known run.

The various class reunions have brought together an unusually large number of graduates. The meeting at 2 P. M. Tuesday was well attended, as was also the collation which was served at 9 P. M. in Schofield Hall. Among graduates recently at the post, the greater number of whom attended the meeting collation in the evening were the following: Gen. George S. Greene, the oldest living graduate of the Academy, a guest of Professor Larnder, who was a classmate of his son, Col. Francis Vinton Greene, of '70, Colonel of the 71st Regt., N. G., S. N. Y.; Col. J. G. Tilford, '51; Gen. McCook, '52; Gen. D. S. Stanley, '52; Gen. Michael Morgan, '54; Gen. Charles G. Sawtelle, '54; Col. Cyrus B. Constock, '55; Col. George H. Elliott, '55; Gen. Francis R. T. Nichols, ex-Governor, South Carolina, '55; Gen. Alexander S. Webb, '55; Adj. Gen. George D. Ruggles, '55; Gen. Lewis M. Merrill, '55; retired; Gen. Jos. Wheeler, and Col. Francis J. Crilly, who was a member of the Board in '90, represent the class of '55; Gen. Horace Porter, Col. John M. Wilson, Engineers; Maj. Edward R. Hopkins, of the Military Academy at Highland Falls, were among the graduates of '60; Col. Henry C. Hasbrouck, of May, '61; Gen. D. W. Flagler, of June, '61; Asst. Adj. Gen. Thomas Ward and James R. Reid were graduates of '63, of which class Professor Michale was a member. Maj. Frank L. Hills, resigned, was a member of '66. Professor Mercur was a member of this class.

Capt. Charles Morton, 3d Cav., represented '69; Col. F. W. Greene, Capt. Otto L. Helm, Engineers; Capt. W. S. Edgerly, 7th Cav., and Capt. James Rockwell, O. Dept.; Prof. Wood and Prof. Larnder, '70; Lieut. J. A. Lundem, 4th Art., '73. The class of '75 was represented by Capt. Chas. H. Clark, O. Dept.; Capt. Willard Young, resigned; Lieut. William A. Simpson, 2d Art.

Capt. Dan. C. Kingman, Engineers; Lieut. Erasmus M. Weaver, 2d Art., and John P. Jefferson, resigned. Col. Alexander S. Bacon, resigned, was a representative of '76. Lieut. Charles R. Noyes, 9th Inf.; Luther S. Welborn, resigned, were among the representatives of '79. Lieut. John L. Chamberlin, 1st Art., was a representative of '80; Capt. F. J. Kerner, '81; Lieut. Ernesto V. Smith, 4th Inf., '86; Lieut. Edgar Jardin, Engineers, '90; Lieut. C. M. Michie, 17th Inf., represented '92; Lieut. C. Smith, '94, and Lieut. M. E. Saville, 13th Inf.; Lieut. R. P. Johnston, Engineers; Lieut. R. R. Raymond, Engineers, '93. There were also Capt. James S. Pettit, 1st Inf., '78; Lieut. Geo. L. Converse, 3d Cav., and Lieut. Willard F. Harmon, '90; Lieut. H. McElroy, 2d Inf., '90; Lieut. Warren H. Mitchell, 2d Art., '94.

The reunion of the class of '55 was held on Tuesday evening in Schofield Hall, with 10 of the 14 living members present. The reunion of '70 followed them on Wednesday night. The reunion of the class of '73 was also held on Tuesday evening, and that of the class of '80.

The Secretary of War improved the occasion of his visit to examine the various points of interest here in the company of Gen. Ruggles and Col. Wilson. He also visited the public buildings, attended the examinations, and with Mrs. Lamont dined with the cadets in the mess hall at 1 P. M. A review in honor of the Secretary took the place of the drill. On Monday afternoon Mrs. Lamont held an informal cadet reception at the hotel. A reception at the quarters of the Superintendent followed, at which the members of the first class were among the guests. After the usual concert, which followed in the evening, an informal officers' hop was given at the hotel and an impromptu vocal concert.

At 2 P. M. on Friday, June 7, drill for the first class in

practical military engineering was held in Fort Clinton, under Capt. Lusk and Lieut. Bromwell. Subsequently all four classes took part in battalion drill. Among the features of the drill was a street column formation, designed to cope with city street mobs and rioters. The movement is to form a square. The front company stands fast. The flank companies execute "four right and left" and the rear company executes "about face." All approaches are thus covered. Toward the close of the drill the Commandant selected a private from the ranks to continue the exercise, thus demonstrating that any first class private was competent to command a regiment. The cadet selected, Cadet Harry La Tourette Cavenaugh, of the first class, acquitted himself very creditably in the somewhat trying ordeal. Exhibition drill in fencing and gymnastics by the entire fourth class exemplified the thoroughness and excellence of Mr. Koehler's training, and was heartily appreciated by the large audience which filled the gymnasium.

On Saturday the mental examination of the first class was concluded. Col. Charles H. Alden, Maj. George H. Torney and Capt. Guy L. Edie of the Medical Department constituted the Examining Board for the physical examination which concluded Monday.

On Saturday afternoon the drawings of the second and third class were ready for the inspection of the Board of Visitors. Field artillery drill under Lieut. Dyer was the exercise of the afternoon. In the evening a cadet hop was held in the new Academic Building from 8 o'clock until 12. A second hop was held in the same building on Monday evening from 9 until 11, and again Tuesday evening, June 11. The examination rooms were used for the graduating ball on Tuesday evening, and gave double the space heretofore available.

Rev. Dr. Postlethwaite, Chaplain of the Academy, conducted the services, and made a farewell address to the graduates at the chapel services on Sunday morning at 10:45. Dr. Postlethwaite sailed for Europe on June 12 to join his family, who have been abroad for some time. Prof. and Mrs. Edgerton, Mrs. E. B. Babbitt, Lieuts. Barney and Hagadorn will also spend the summer abroad.

From 10 o'clock until noon on Monday occurred the field day sports, the third annual exhibition of the kind. The committee consisted of Cadets G. H. Shelton, '96; John C. Oakes, '97; Gwynn R. Hancock, Jr., '98; Timekeepers—Col. Riddle, Porter, Lieuts. E. B. Babbitt and A. H. Brown; Judges—Maj. Torney, Lieuts. W. P. Richardson, R. P. Davis, J. S. Winn, Cadets Springer, '95, and Hinkley, '96. Mr. H. J. Kochler was the referee, and the announcer Cadet H. A. White, Clerk of the Course—Cadet S. M. Kochersperger, '96. There were ten events. The method of scoring was to give the winner 10 points, the second 7½, the third 6, the fourth 5, the fifth 4, and the sixth 3. The contest was between the classes of '96 and '97. The '96 team was successful. The events resulted as follows:

The 100-yard dash, with a record of 0:10½, by Raymond, '96, was won by W. D. Connor, '97, in 0:10 1-5. Shelton, '96, was second.

The running high jump was won by C. E. Russell, '96, who jumped 5 feet 5½ inches, beating Timberlake's high jump of 3 feet 2½ inches.

The record of the standing high jump was made by Hinkley last year at 9 feet 10 inches. This was smashed by Abbott, '97, who jumped 9 feet 10½ inches.

The 120-yard hurdle race, won by Shelton last year in 0:18 2-5, was won by McCormack in 0:18.

Magninis won the running broad jump and beat Dallam's record of last year. Magninis jumped 20 feet 8¾ inches, against Dallam's 19 feet 2½ inches.

Putting the shot was won by Dallam, '96, who beat his own record of last year by 4½ inches.

The 200-yard dash was won by Shelton, '96, in 0:23 2-5.

The pole vault was a tie between Burt and Oakes.

Throwing the sixteen-pound hammer was won by Berry, '96.

The 440-yard run was won by Saltzman, '96. As is the custom at the various colleges, class colors were chosen and worn by the friends of the respective classes, viz.: Blue, '96; yellow, '97; red, '98.

Gen. Miles arrived at noon Monday, accompanied by his wife and daughter. His arrival was announced by a salute of seventeen guns. At 8 P. M. siege battery drill, the projectiles being aimed at an illuminated target, took place. The afternoon drill was held at the seacoast battery.

Skirmish drill occupied Tuesday afternoon, and the farewell parade for the graduating class took place in the evening. Gen. Miles declined the honor of a review. The General shared the cadets' mess hall dinner on Tuesday.

The new officers of the Cadet Battalion were announced on Wednesday, as follows:

Captains—Lott, King, Summerlin, Hoffman, Lieutenant and Adjutant—Heilberg, Lieutenant and Quartermaster—Grubbs.

Lieutenants—Hinkley, Kochersperger, Hood, Callan, Shelton, Newell, Miller, A. M. Jackson.

Sergeant Major—Cheney. Quartermaster Sergeant—Roberts, C. D.

First Sergeants—Morgan, Oakes, Murphy, P. A., Moore.

Sergeants—Dorey, Raymond, Pope, Wolf, Connor, W. D., Conley, Longan, Hanna, Sarratt, McCoy, Newbill, Munro, Milliken, Miller, C. H., Buckley, Ferguson, H. B.

Corporals—Henry, Nesbitt, Craig, Bricker, Davis, R. C., Nicholls, Hancock, Wooten, Babcock, Boggs, Benchley, Smith, C. S., Williams, A. E., Chambliss, Newbold, Brown, L.

Acting Sergeant Major—Dallam. Acting Quartermaster Sergeant—Tschappat.

Acting First Sergeants—Stuart, E. R., Patterson, Nolan, Holbrook.

Acting Sergeants—McNeil, Lewis, F. W., Stodter, Russell, Saltzman, Reisinger, Kirkpatrick, Wade, Landon, E., Boyd, Goodale, Burnside, Berry, A. P., Moses, G. W., Kessler, Jerry.

The first and third classes entered Camp McDowell Thursday morning at 11:30. The candidates for admission began reporting Thursday. Those who successfully passed the examination in March will be admitted on Saturday, June 15. With the help of the old officers, who were shedding their uniforms, the new officers speedily appeared with the insignia of their offices, and somewhat to their cost, for the corporals were seized by their enthusiastic classmates and tumbled into the swimming tank, uniforms and all. One of those who could not swim came near making a vacancy in the corps, but he was fished out none the worse for his wetting. The appearance of the new fatigue cap at the post had evidently misled the cadets into the idea that they are in training for the Navy.

Cadet appointments have been issued during the week ending June 13, 1895, as follows: Herman W. Schull, Waterbury (—), S. D.; Alonso B. Sessions (Alt.), Aberdeen (—), D.; Walter Flowers, Greenville (2d District), Ala.; Joseph J. Fitzgerald, New York City (8th Dist.), N. Y.; Geo. R. Armstrong, Rogersville (1st Dist.), Tenn.; John J. Staunton, Bayonne (8th Dist.), N. J.; Lewis H. Rand (Alt.), Plainfield (8th Dist.), N. J.; Kent R. Schoenberg (Alt.), Wilts Mills (6th Dist.), S. C.; Fred W. Linn, Cleveland (20th Dist.), Ohio.

#### GRADUATING EXERCISES, NAVAL ACADEMY.

Friday last was the biggest day even of June Week, for on that day the diplomas were presented to the graduates, all of whom have been fighting for these for the past four years and some of them a good deal longer than that. Forty-one graduates were presented with diplomas by Secretary Herbert, 21 line and 12 engineers. The battalion of cadets marched to the chapel, where prayer was offered by Chaplain Royce, and Gen. J. B. Henderson, of Missouri, delivered an address to the graduates. The cadets occupied front seats in the chapel, and the building was filled with invited guests, including ladies. Gov. Brown, of Maryland, sat on the platform with Secretary of the Navy Herbert, the members of the Board of Visitors and officers of the Academic Board. Superintendent Cooper introduced Gen. Henderson, the orator of the day, who expressed to the officers of the Academy and members of the graduating class some of the impressions produced on him and on the other members of the Board of Visitors by their visit to the Academy. He said to the graduates that each one of them was chosen among thousands, and that they could only prove faithful to the trust by being faithful to themselves; that a long line of faultless careers were before them in the American Navy, which, if they could not excel, they should at any rate come up to; that graduation did not end their work of preparation, for this was an age of progress and many great questions yet unsettled, such as ques-

tions of armor projectiles, land fortifications, electricity and aerial navigation, were still to be settled by them or men of similar professional education; that the old complaint by officers of the Navy that they had nothing to do was likely soon to be a thing of the past; that, although it was best that wars should never come, but come they will, and the great battles of America in all future wars must be fought on the high seas. Speaking of the animosities and strife and the imperiled hopes of free government itself during the Civil War, he said: "Some of us followed the old flag; some of us followed the new; but, thank God, we are united to-day. We now worship one constitution, the constitution made by our fathers. We now honor but one flag, the old 'Stars and Stripes.' May it ever wave over the 'land of the free' and the 'home of the brave!'" Gen. Henderson's speech was very warmly applauded.

After the speech the cadets moved out of the chapel and formed again. The Secretary and the Board of Visitors proceeded to the stand on the green, to which the cadets also marched with music and flags flying. The graduating class marched to the front and Secretary Herbert addressed them. He expressed satisfaction that hazing had been discontinued, as in other well regulated institutions throughout the country. He said that the class of '95 had been particularly helpful in breaking up a custom that had been so long in vogue at the Naval Academy, and he hoped the other classes would follow in their footsteps, and in a short time hazing would be a thing of the past. He cited what Princeton and Cornell are doing to stop hazing, and that the President and Congress have also discountenanced the practice.

At the conclusion of the Secretary's remarks Cadet Stuart Farrar Smith was called out, being the honorman of his class, and received his diploma amid the applause of those present. Cadet W. G. Groesbeck was the next to receive his diploma, being number two in his class. The others were selected at random. The following is the full list and their official standing:

Line Division—S. F. Smith, Pa.; W. G. Groesbeck, Ohio; H. Brumby, Ga.; F. P. Baldwin, N. J.; W. C. Davidson, S. Dak.; Harris Laning, Ill.; P. M. Bunnon, Md.; A. T. Chester, at large; J. R. Monaghan, Wash.; H. V. Butler, Jr., N. Y.; J. E. Walker, N. C.; W. R. Cushman, N. Y.; D. W. Todd, Cal.; J. J. Raby, Mich.; S. C. Vestal, Ind.; W. H. Standley, Cal.; W. R. Gherardi, at large; J. V. Clemann, N. Y.; K. M. Bennett, N. J.; M. J. McCormick, Mich.; Worth Bagley, N. C.; A. J. Wadhams, N. Y.; C. B. Barnes, Okla.; E. H. Watson, Ky.; J. C. Breckinridge, Ky.; O. S. Knepper, Pa.; N. H. Hall, Tex.; R. Z. Johnston, Jr., N. C.; J. D. Sayers, Jr., Tex.—29.

Engineering Division—T. M. Dick, S. C.; C. K. Mallory, Tenn.; Newton Mansfield, Ohio; D. M. Garrison, N. J.; J. R. Morton, Mo.; F. D. Kars, Ohio; F. N. Freeman, Ind.; J. F. Marshall, Jr., Tex.; C. H. Walker, Mass.; D. R. Merritt, Ia.; E. H. Dunn, Conn.; E. F. Eckhardt, Wis.—12.

When the diplomas had all been received, Cadet Smith stepped to the front and offered three cheers for "those left behind," three for the Secretary of the Navy and three for the Board of Visitors, all of which were given with a will. The graduating class returned to quarters to don their new uniforms. All have been assigned to ships for a two years' cruise except Cadet Sayers, who will resign. After the distribution Secretary Herbert left for Washington in the Dolphin, accompanied by his aide, Lieut. Reamer.

The Superintendent has designated the following cadets to act in charge of divisions during the summer months at the Academy: C. L. Leiper is designated as acting passed assistant engineer, G. S. Lincoln as first captain, and E. T. Fitzgerald as second captain of the engineer division, whose members follow—A. M. Marshall, K. G. Castleman, J. R. Henry, G. B. Rice, G. I. Middleton, C. P. Burt, A. Crenshaw, Pope Washington. In the second class, Naval Cadet W. G. DuBose, who stands number 1, will act as cadet lieutenant in charge. E. F. Eggert, H. E. Yarnell, Fletcher L. Sheffield and Joseph W. Powell will have charge of the crew in the order named. All the above are "star" members in next year's first class.

Twenty-seven of the first class, 59 of the third and 34 of the fourth class have embarked on the U. S. S. Monongahela for a summer cruise to Funchal, Madeira.

S. H. Anding, of Mississippi, who has been ill, went on leave Saturday.

#### The Farewell Ball.

The annual farewell ball, given as a compliment from the second class to the graduates, was a brilliant success. The spacious armory, where the ball was held was ablaze with color, the ceiling being covered by three huge canopies of colored bunting, each representing a class color. There were other appropriate decorations in the room. Dancing began at 9 o'clock, and it was fully half past 2 o'clock Saturday morning before the 25 numbers on the dancing programme had been completed. The invited guests, numbering more than 1,000 persons, passed under a covered walk from the dressing rooms in the cadet quarters to the ballroom. Chinese lanterns hanging along the walk and about the Academy grounds made a beautiful display. Mrs. Cooper, wife of the Superintendent, received, assisted by Cadet Richard H. M. Robinson, the honorman of the class of '96. The receiving party stood under a decorated bower. Mrs. Cooper carried a large bouquet of crimson American Beauty roses, tied with the class colors of '96. The band stand, on the opposite side of the room, was prettily decorated with evergreens, with strings of garlands around the railing made of rustic wood. The Board of Visitors, who remained over, attended the ball. There was also a large number of the Graduates' Association present. The following cadets of the first class attended with ladies: Cadet Robinson with Miss Smith, of Pittsburgh; Cadet Leiper with Miss Anderson, of Chester, Pa.; Cadet Hanenbeck with Miss Lewis, of Virginia; Cadet Poor with Miss McCall, of Pittsburgh; Cadet Holden with Miss Lawson, of Idaho; Cadet Earle with Miss White, of Boston; Cadet R. E. Walker with Miss Doyle, of Washington; Cadet Craven with Miss Craven, of Washington; Cadet Bisset with Miss Lewis, of Virginia; Cadet Lincoln with Miss Fleet, daughter of Col. Fleet, of Missouri; Cadet Kalbach with Miss Colahan, of Philadelphia; Cadet Cluverius with Miss Sampson, of Washington; Cadet Gilpin with Miss Boykin, of Baltimore; Cadet Kimball with Miss Corner, of Baltimore; Cadet Wettinger with Miss Ivancyrus, of Moscow, Russia; Cadet Fitzgerald with Miss Bowries, of New York; Cadet Tozer with Miss Craven, of New York; Cadet Ridge with Miss Wallace, of Norfolk; Cadet Wurtzbaugh with Miss Coleman, of Baltimore; Cadet MacArthur with Miss Dangerfield, of Virginia; Cadet Ellis with Miss Doak, of Tennessee; Cadet Kearny with Miss Estella Smith, of Brooklyn; Cadet Knox with Miss Nellie Smith, of Norfolk; Cadet Wood with Miss Street, of Washington; Cadet Marshall with Miss Calvert, of Baltimore; Cadet McCauley with Miss Thompson, of New York, daughter of Congressman Thompson, of the Board of Visitors; Cadet Mustin with Miss Edmonds, of Philadelphia; Cadet Roys with Miss Roys, of New York; Cadet Jessop, with Miss Wainwright, of Washington; Cadet Castlemann with Miss Seaton, of Baltimore; Cadet Burt with Miss Young, of Georgia; Cadet Rice with Miss Anderson, of Philadelphia; Cadet Curtin with Miss Roder, of Baltimore; Cadet Henry with Miss Johnston, of New York; Cadet Crenshaw with Miss Horney, of St. Louis; Cadet Doan with Miss Pearce, of Washington; Cadet Littlefield with Miss Fay, of Annapolis; Cadet Brouson with Miss Jonathon, of New York.

Among others present were: Misses Groesbeck, of Cincinnati; Mrs. Meade and Miss Henshaw, Miss Dubarry, Mrs. and Miss Wiltsie, the Misses Brumby, of Athens, Ga.; Miss Jasper, of Virginia; Miss Kennedy, of Annapolis; Miss Wilson, of Baltimore; Miss Love, of Virginia; Miss Hemphill, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Ridgely, of St. Louis; Mrs. Baker, of Washington; Lieut. and Mrs. Macklin, Miss Mitchell, Miss Serpelle, W. Harvey Smith, M. Tyson Elliott, Charles Boone, Miss Garten, Miss Henson, Miss Thompson, Miss Hooper, of Baltimore; Miss May and Hattie Tate, Miss Phillips, Miss Bates, of Washington; Miss White, of St. Louis; Miss Dupont, of Wilmington, Del.; Miss Thompson, of New York; Miss Hoge, Miss Carmody, of Washington; Miss Bessie Otto, Miss Smyth, Miss Winterfield, Mrs. C. E. Rochle, Baltimore; Senator O. J. Faulkner, of West Virginia, president of the Board of Visitors; Professor Lounsbury, of Yale College; Col. Fleet, of Missouri; R. M. Thompson, of New York; Prof. W. M. Thornton, Rev. M. M. Benton, E. P. Morrison, of Alabama; Congressman F. C. Tate, of Georgia; Miss Ludlow, of Newport,

Mrs. Hitchburn, of Washington; H. Magruder, Miss Jacobs, Miss Davage, of Washington; Miss Dickinson, of New York; Miss Wilson, Miss Gootee, of Baltimore; J. H. Forbes, Miss Arthur, Miss White, of Arizona; Miss Asserson, Miss Lyman; Mr. and Mrs. Laning, Illinois; Pay Dir. and Mrs. Goldsborough, Billings Steele, Comdr. and Mrs. Schouler, Miss Thomas, of Washington; Miss Kneppen, of Pennsylvania; Miss Bartlett, of Baltimore; Miss Bossie Green, of Baltimore; Miss Dodge, of Georgetown; Miss Fanny Tate, J. Guy Thompson, Miss Carrie Vaughn, York, Pa.; Annie Affel, Mr. and Mrs. Dolan, of Pennsylvania; Mr. W. H. Wadhams, Miss Freeman, Miss McCracken, Miss Knight, of Indiana; Miss Hogland, Chicago; B. F. Wales, of Baltimore; Mrs. Phythian, wife of Commo. Phythian; the Misses Phythian, and Miss Todd, of Washington.

#### CLOSING DAYS AT THE NAVAL ACADEMY.

Everything that nature could do in the way of blue skies, cool breezes, the vivid green of leaves and foliage and hosts of charming sisters, cousins and aunts, united to render the graduating exercises at the Naval Academy pleasant and successful. The usual routine culminating in the glories of the "June Ball" was duly observed, and the next day found the cadets still blinking with the sleepiness following that dissipation, quartered on board the Monongahela. The summer cruise will extend to Madeira, if the venerable practice ship can be induced to go there, a result which her famous record of 40 miles to windward after three weeks beating and her deep-rooted objection to sailing nearer to the wind than eight points, renders not wholly free from doubt. The Bancroft is to make occasional trips for steam and target practice, but no long voyages.

The commencement ceremonies are yearly characterized by special things talked about. This year the subjects are many. The address to the graduating class by a member of the Board of Visitors began with a report of the Board on the institution in general, occupying, say, five minutes; then it applied praise in large chunks to everybody and everything for the next similar period; then informed the boys to the effect that to be virtuous is to be happy, honesty is the best policy and two and two are invariably four, for three minutes further, and wound up with a patriotic outburst in rhyme. Just what possible interest the powers-that-be suppose a crowd of healthy, live American youngsters take in such talk as this, or what possible good it expects they can get from it, is difficult enough to comprehend; but how a human being with a heart in him could stand up there and utter it before that magnificent array of bright eyes and red cheeks, defies the ordinary understanding.

The graduating class fared rather badly all round in the matter of addresses. The Secretary of the Navy, although he presented the diplomas, did not really speak to the graduates at all. Somehow the authorities acquired the idea that the new first class has unitedly and by formal action disapproved the practice of hazing, which, naturally pleasing the Secretary, led him to devote his remarks exclusively to that subject and to express his congratulations. The surprise at first was general, for, however much the undergraduates might be concerned, obviously the graduates had nothing to do with the matter. Furthermore, hazing, as the term is commonly understood, has been for some time obsolete at the Academy, and under the present discipline is not at all likely to be resumed, and even harmless joking with the plebes has never been so infrequent.

The amusing part of it is that as a matter of fact the first class had never as a body expressed any such sentiments, nor had ever thought of doing so. It was probably the general feeling of hilarity which affects everybody on the closing days which led the youngsters to regard the affair as they did, from its humorous side. Of course the kindness and wisdom of Mr. Herbert's remarks did not go unappreciated, and if the "plebes" had stood in any danger of being tormented, the possibility would have been forever dispelled; but the graduates, none the less, lost the different kind of a talk which from so genial and engaging a speaker as the Secretary, would have made the farewell of their alma mater fraught with only the pleasantest of memories.

The saluting order is in full effect, and the cadet may no longer raise his cap even to a lady. The best and perhaps a sufficient reason for the innovation is that the existing salutations had become too various. One cadet would duck his cap so low as to suggest an intention to stand in it; another would simply cock-bill it over his ear; a third would wave it in a jovial manner, all of which made some sort of uniformity imperative, and for precision and certainty nothing could improve on the military salute, which, moreover, every other nation except our own has prescribed. So the hands now as they would have appeared 30 years ago, when they belonged to the boys who strolled around Touro Square and the devastated Academy grounds, and whose flourishing bows still linger in the memories of fair Newport and Annapolis of those bygone days so pleasantly, that it seems almost cruel to deny to the daughters, their mothers' opportunities for like charming remembrances. But the times have changed. Those same boys do not obey Academy regulations now, but make them; and, of course, the difference is plain. Besides, we are developing a military navy. *Vive la coq-whip!* No sailor-men need apply. The floating soldier is getting on top. Jack shivers no tarry timbers on battleships and triple-screw cruisers, and the place for shellbacks and barnacles is the Naval Asylum or the Graduates' Association.

Speaking of which last highly respectable organization, some 80 members marched in to dinner to the music of the band, and to the unqualified delight of the youngsters whenever a portly participant became confused as to the step. The society had a meeting in the afternoon, got foul of business matters, and cleared things with characteristic cuttings of Gordian knots; then it quarantined from the dinners all non-graduates (honorary members excepted), and finally on motion of Adm. Gherardi decided to adopt a badge. It is to be a rosette button with a center of gold sleeve lace and a rim of fluted dark blue ribbon. Secretary Allen will send notices when the buttons are ready for distribution.

The dinner was held under the genial presidency of Capt. Wilkes (41st date). The Secretary of the Navy responded to the toast to the President, Comdr. J. W. Miller, N. G., S. N. Y., to that of the Naval Militia, and the Rev. Mr. Benton to "The Graduates in Civil Life." Mr. H. M. Thompson, '98, of the Board of Visitors (besides intimating that his class was the finest that ever graduated), strongly advocated the resumption of football by the cadets, which aroused vigorous opposition from Adm. Gherardi. Capt. Philip McGiffin, of the Chinese Navy, made a brief and modest response to one of the most enthusiastic calls of the evening, and there were other impromptu speeches.

Of course, the service will be glad to know that this Board of Visitors proposes to have its recommendations carried into effect, or to know the reason why. "Nons verors." The nearest approach so far on record to that desirable consummation was effected in past years by a Congressman named—let us say Siggs, because his name sounds different from that. Siggs went into the Physical Department and told Professor Terry just to name what he wanted—just name it—don't be bashful over it, but say what you need boldly, and then he, Siggs, would see that it came right along, or the Navy Department would get the screws put on it in a way to make it screech. So the Professor modestly suggested a bit of apparatus here and a machine there, and Siggs put it all down, with reiterated advice against undue diffidence. When the supply of mint juleps at the Board House was officially shut off, Siggs left. Terry waited long and weary days, and wistfully gazed at every express wagon, but nothing came. At last a letter arrived bearing his address, and on the exterior a request to return it, if undelivered, to "Builer & Siggs, Siggsville, Ia., sole makers of Siggs patent back-action, self-refrigerating, automatic tension, adjustable, semi-rotary pump." The letter ran after this fashion:

Dear Sir.—We are informed by our Mr. Siggs that you desire one of our improved back-action pumps. We quote you our this year's No. 6 at 10 per cent. and five from list price, as per enclosed catalogue, del'd F. O. B., Siggsville, thirty days, or net 25 per cent. off for spot cash. Awaiting your esteemed orders, yours truly,

BULGER & SIGGS, per S. P. B., '97.

Professor Terry has stopped watching the express wagons.

## PERSONAL ITEMS.

**Major W. S. McCaskey**, 20th Inf., is visiting in Philadelphia.

**Gen. D. G. Swaim**, U. S. A., and family will spend the summer at Asbury Park, N. J.

**Capt. B. H. Rogers**, 13th Inf., of Fort Porter, is spending a few weeks' leave at Dwight, Ill.

**Lieut. C. P. Russ**, 23d Inf., is expected North in a few days to spend the summer on leave.

**Major A. S. Towar**, Paymaster, is expected to return to Omaha next week from a short leave.

**Lieut. F. D. Webster**, 6th Inf., lately in New York on leave, has rejoined at Fort Thomas, Ky.

**Lieut. F. E. Eltonhead**, 21st Inf., left Plattsburgh Barracks, N. Y., June 9 on a week's leave.

**Lieut. G. O. Squier**, 3d Art., of Fort Monroe, paid a short visit to Hanover, N. H., this week.

**Capt. W. L. Carpenter**, 9th Inf., who is at Genesee, N. Y., has had his sick leave extended three months.

**Lieut. D. M. Michie**, 17th Inf., rejoined at Columbus Barracks, Ohio, June 12 from a short leave of absence.

**Capt. H. C. Danes**, 3d Art., of Key West Barracks, Fla., was a visitor at Fort McPherson, Ga., this week.

**Professor E. W. Bass** and family, of West Point, will spend July and part of August at Bar Harbor, Me.

**Capt. M. P. Maus**, 1st Inf., a recent arrival at Angel Island, Cal., has taken command of Co. D of his regiment.

**Capt. L. O. Parker**, 1st Inf., spending the summer at Falls Church, Va., has had his leave extended one month.

**Gen. Samuel Breck**, U. S. A., rejoined at Governor's Island June 12 from a short but pleasant visit to West Point.

**Lieut. M. B. Safford**, 13th Inf., left Fort Columbus, N. Y., this week for the West to return about the middle of July.

**Lieut. J. V. White**, 1st Art., bade good-bye to friends at Fort Wadsworth this week and went to Fort Hamilton for duty.

**Capt. W. J. Wakeman**, Asst. Surg., U. S. A., is preparing to leave Fort Thomas, Ky., to spend several months on leave.

**Lieut. A. C. Macomb**, 5th Cav., is closing up his business in Washington, D. C., preparatory to joining his regiment in Texas.

**Lieut. J. C. Fox**, 13th Inf., recently called to Germantown, Pa., by the death of a relative, has rejoined at Fort Niagara, N. Y.

**Lieut. M. W. Rowell**, 10th Cav., on duty at Trenton with the New Jersey militia, is a recent visitor to friends at Governor's Island.

**Mrs. Jennie A. Hedberg**, widow of Capt. Alfred Hedberg, 15th Inf., was married June 6 at Chicago to Mr. Raymond S. Stephens.

**Gen. Thomas M. Vincent** was in charge of the A. G. O. this week during the absence of Gen. Geo. D. Ruggles at West Point.

**Mrs. H. W. Andress**, a niece of Lieut. Gen. Schofield, was married June 10 at Freeport, Ill., to Mr. W. J. Bigelow, of Chicago.

**Capt. W. P. Van Ness**, 1st Art., was expected at St. John's College, Fordham, N. Y., the latter part of the week to make an inspection.

**Comdr. N. M. Dyer**, U. S. N., who has been on duty in Washington, D. C., has entered upon new duties at the Navy Yard, Boston Mass.

**Lieut. A. W. Chase**, 2d Art., was expected to rejoin at Fort Monroe, Va., the latter part of this week, from fortnight's visit to New York.

**Major Gen. Nelson A. Miles**, who attended the closing exercises at West Point this week, was the recipient of unusual attentions and honors.

**Lieut. L. D. Tyson**, 9th Inf., on duty at the University of Tennessee, is a recent visitor in Chattanooga, where he has many warm friends.

**Lieut. J. W. McAndrew**, 3d Inf., has left Plattsburgh, N. Y., to spend June and July on leave and join at Fort Snelling, Minn., in August.

**Lieut. F. E. Lacey, Jr.**, 10th Inf., on leave from Fort Reno from March 10, to July 9, 1895, has lately been visiting at 26 Martin Place, Detroit.

**Lieut. Col. John I. Rodgers**, 2d Art., will spend June and July on the Pacific Coast and join at Fort Schuyler, N. Y. H., some time in August.

**Lieut. T. Q. Donaldson, Jr.**, 8th Cav., was expected to leave Fort Meade, S. D., this week to spend until the latter part of September next on leave.

**Lieut. W. H. Bertsch**, 15th Inf., and bride are expected to arrive at Fort Sheridan, Ill., about July 8th or 9th. They are now on their wedding tour.

**Capt. Oscar Elting**, 3d Cav., whose retirement for age takes place early in August next, is preparing to leave Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., to spend the interim on leave.

**Majors John R. Myrick** and Lieuts. K. Morton and R. F. Gardner, 3d Art., rejoined this week at Key West Barracks from a visit to Fort McPherson, Ga.

**Col. J. G. C. Lee**, U. S. A., delivered the chief address of Memorial Day at Los Angeles, Cal., to a large audience in front of Assembly Hall in that city.

**Capt. J. W. MacMurray**, 1st Art., after a pleasant tour of recruiting duty at Kansas City, Mo., has transferred his rendezvous to Allegheny, Pa., where he now is.

**Col. G. E. Glenn**, Pay Dept., on leave from St. Paul, who, with Mrs. Glenn is stopping at the Carey Cottage, Richfield Springs, N. Y., has had his leave extended one month.

**Capt. Chas. Richard**, Asst. Surgeon, is closing up his business at the Fort Leavenworth Mil. Prison, and will go early in July to St. Louis for duty as Attending Surgeon.

**Capt. W. H. Arthur**, Asst. Surg., U. S. A., whose orders take him from Vancouver Barracks to Fort Columbus, is expected at Governor's Island about the end of June.

**Lieut. John T. Thompson**, Ord. Dept., U. S. A., whose recent orders take him to the staff of Maj. Gen. Merritt at Chicago, was expected to leave Omaha for that city this week.

**Col. Loomis L. Langdon**, U. S. A., presided at the annual memorial services of Charles R. Doane Post, G. A. R., of Brooklyn at Plymouth Church on Sunday evening, June 9.

**Lieut. T. M. Moody**, 20th Inf., on leave for some time past at Taylor Ridge, Ill., was expected to join at Fort Leavenworth this week for duty with Capt. Huston's Company D.

**Chaplain H. H. Hall**, U. S. A., has left Fort Barrancas, Fla., for the North to spend the summer on leave.

**Capt. G. S. Bingham**, A. Q. M., is preparing to leave St. Louis for Philadelphia, Pa., under recent orders of assignment.

**Lieut. A. G. C. Quay**, A. D. C. to Gen. Brooke, has returned to St. Paul from a brief visit to Omaha, his previous station.

We regret to learn of the illness of Col. H. Clay Wood, Superintendent of the Rec. Service, whose station is New York City.

**Lieut. E. S. Curtis**, 2d Art., a recent arrival at Fort Trumbull, Conn., has taken charge of ordnance matters at that post.

**Lieut. M. E. Saville**, 10th Inf., under recent orders, changes base from Governor's Island, N. Y., to Fort Reno, Oklahoma.

**Capt. E. J. Stevens**, U. S. A., retired, residing at 206 West 119th street, New York, reached his sixtieth birthday on June 14.

**Capt. J. S. Rogers**, 20th Inf., and Mrs. Rogers, of Fort Leavenworth, were expected in New York this week on a short visit.

**Lieut. C. D. Rhodes**, 6th Cav., has relinquished his college detail at Delaware, Ohio and will soon join his regiment at Fort Myer, Va.

**Major C. C. Sniffen**, Paymaster, U. S. A., a recent arrival in New York for duty, is at present residing at the Mansion House, Brooklyn.

**Lieut. L. C. Andrews**, 3d Cav., was expected to rejoin at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., this week from a pleasant visit to Seneca Falls, N. Y.

**Lieut. C. G. Lyman**, 2d Cav., A. D. C. to Major Gen. Ruger, has left Washington, D. C., on leave to return about the middle of July.

**Capt. J. B. Johnson**, 3d Cav., on sick leave from Fort Reno, O. T., since Jan. 1 last, is still wooing the sea breezes at Atlantic City, N. J.

**Mrs. Van Deusen**, wife of Lieut. G. W. Van Deusen, 1st Art., of David's Island, and family have gone to their summer place in the Berkshire Hills.

**Col. W. J. Volkmar**, A. A. G., has been acting as superintendent of the Recruiting Service this week during the sickness of Col. H. Clay Wood.

Announcement is made of the marriage on June 25 at Fort Thomas, Ky., of Lieut. W. C. Bennett, 6th Inf., to Miss Anna Dummett Cochran, daughter of Col. M. A. Cochran, 6th Inf.

**Lieut. Geo. Montgomery**, Ord. Dept., U. S. A., is closing up his business at West Point preparatory to joining at the Sandy Hook Proving Ground, N. Y., for duty about the end of June.

**Col. Alex. Mackenzie**, Corps of Engineers, lately stationed at Rock Island, Ill., reported at the War Department June 8 for duty as principal assistant to Gen. Craigill, Chief of Engineers.

**Lieut. W. A. Sater**, 13th Inf., in command of Co. A, arrived at Fort Niagara June 6 from Fort Porter, N. Y., by march, for a few weeks' small arms practice on the range at the former post.

We are glad to learn that the injuries received by Capt. J. M. Cabell, Asst. Surgeon, U. S. A., to which we referred last week, are not so serious as first reported, although quite serious enough.

**Capt. E. F. Gardner**, Asst. Surg., U. S. A., after a short but pleasant tour of duty at Boston, Mass., will go in a few days to Washington, D. C., and thence in a few weeks to Fort Grant, Arizona.

**Capt. Stephen Baker**, 6th Inf., with Co.'s A, B, C and H under his command, left Fort Thomas, Ky., June 10 for the rifle range, about 12 miles distant, on the Licking River, for a tour of small arms practice.

The Board on an "emergency ration," sitting in New York and presided over by Gen. J. W. Barriger, has adjourned for a few weeks to await the arrival of certain articles with which practical tests are to be made.

The marriage of Lieut. C. W. Kutz, Corps of Engineers, to Miss Elizabeth Randolph Keim, will take place at Reading, Pa., June 25. After the wedding the married couple will go abroad to spend the honeymoon.

It will bring sadness to many, especially at Newport, R. I., to learn that the summer itinerary of the Prince of Wales, as officially announced, shows that it will be impossible for him to visit the United States this year.

**Lieut. M. A. Batson**, 9th Cav., was called suddenly from Fort Leavenworth to Carbondale, Ill., a few days ago by the news that his father, Capt. L. C. Batson, of that city, had been run over by a railroad train and killed.

The tour of Lieut. E. H. Brooke, 21st Inf., as Regimental Quartermaster, will expire early next month, he having efficiently filled the position since July 11, 1891. Lieut. L. J. Hearn is mentioned as likely to be his successor.

**Miss Ebba Comly**, daughter of the late Major Clifton Comly, Ord. Dept., U. S. A., was married June 12 at Christ Church, Clarksburgh, West Va., to Mr. Marvin Rice Maxwell. Many friends of both families were present.

**Lieuts. Chas. McQuiston**, 4th Inf., H. McL. Powell, 2d and W. P. Jackson, 24th Inf., who have been at Willets Point, N. Y. H., for instruction in submarine mining since Dec. 1 last, will finish their tour on the 30th of June.

**Lieut. M. F. Harmon**, 1st Art., has entered upon the duties of Post Adjutant at Fort Wadsworth, N. Y. H., in succession to Lieut. J. V. White, who has gone to Fort Hamilton to fill the position of Regimental Adjutant soon to be vacated.

**Col. M. P. Miller**, 1st Art., has rejoined at Fort Hamilton, N. Y. H., from his tour, a very pleasant one, with the Massachusetts' militia at South Framingham, from June 4 to 8. He will return there in time to be in camp from July 23 to 27.

The death of Capt. W. C. Rawolle, 2d Cav., promotes First Lieut. C. B. Hoppin to Captain after eighteen years service to a day, June 15. This leaves a vacancy for Regimental Quartermaster, to which position Capt. Hoppin was only recently appointed.

The marriage of Lieut. H. A. Barber, 1st Cav., to Miss Inez Smith, daughter of Col. Gilbert C. Smith, will take place at Fort Sam Houston on Tuesday next, June 18. After a month's wedding tour the married couple will join at Fort Bayard, N. M.

**Capt. William H. Bixby**, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., on June 10 turned over the Engineer office at Newport, R. I., to Lieut. W. W. Harts for four months, during which time Capt. Bixby will pass his sick leave at the White Mountains with Mrs. Bixby.

**Capt. W. S. Patten**, Asst. Q., an energetic and capable officer, who has been since Dec. 11, 1889, on duty at Washington, D. C., with Quartermaster Gen. Batchelder, is expected at Governor's Island in a few days to take charge of the Q. M. D. there.

**Major Chas. F. Roe** and Mrs. Roe, of Squadron A. N. G. S. N. Y., and family will spend the summer at Asheville, N. C. Mr. Stephen B. Roe, Yale '95, son of Major Roe, is at Asheville recuperating, after a severe attack of grippe and congestion of the lungs.

**Capt. Capron's Light Battery** E, 1st Art., and Capt. Varnum's and Hare's Troops B and K, 7th Cav., will leave Fort Sheridan next week en route across the country for Camp Douglas, where they will go into camp during July with the Wisconsin troops.

**Capt. Chas. G. Bartlett**, 9th Inf., who has been on leave for some time past, and lately in Chicago, is much improved in health and is expected to resume command of his regiment and the post of Madison Barracks at Sackett's Harbor, although his leave does not expire until July 12.

**Gen. and Mrs. Miles**, Major and Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. M. G. Ade, of Washington, and a number of the Army officers and their wives stationed on Governor's Island, were delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Benedict on their charming yacht Oneida on the afternoon and evening of June 7.

**Lieut. Warren H. Mitchell**, 2d Art., of Fort Adams, who has been visiting at Princeton, N. J., visited early this week the scenes familiar to his boyhood, Governor's Island, N. Y., where his father, the late Gen. W. G. Mitchell, Maj. Gen. W. S. Hancock's favorite staff officer, lived for some years and died.

The marriage of Miss Kate Grace Chaffee, daughter of Col. and Mrs. A. R. Chaffee, to Lieut. Geo. French Hamilton, 9th U. S. Cav., took place at Fort Robinson, Neb., June 12, with all the accompaniments of a military wedding. After the ceremony the married couple left on a short tour and will return to Fort Robinson about June 30.

**Lieut. Col. E. B. Williston**, 3d Art., has now got the battalion of his regiment, which garrisoned Fort Barrancas, comfortably into camp at Fort McPherson, near Atlanta, Ga., and officers and men are heartily enjoying the change. They will remain at Fort McPherson until all danger from yellow fever at or near Pensacola has passed.

A recent dispatch from Dallas, Texas, says: "Lieut. G. B. Backus, 1st Cav., on sick leave at Fort Worth, and whose case has excited more or less attention during the past few years, is dying at the hospital in this city. He was found unconscious in the woods near here with an empty cup beside him by Lieut. R. R. Stevens, 23d Inf., recruiting officer, to whom he had left a note stating where he could be found."

**Lieut. Col. W. R. King**, Corps of Engineers, after a most successful tour of duty in command of the Engineer School, Engineer Battalion, etc., at Willets Point, N. Y. H., dating from May 1887, now goes to Rock Island, Ill., to take over the duties lately relinquished by Lieut. Col. Alex. Mackenzie, C. Engr., who has gone to Washington, D. C., for duty in Gen. Craigill's office, Capt. W. T. Rossell, C. Engr., is temporarily commanding at Willets Point.

The second trial of Capt. Henry W. Howgate began in the Criminal Court, Washington, D. C., June 10. The indictment which he is called upon now to answer charges him with forgery and embezzlement in connection with his services as disbursing officer of the Weather Bureau some sixteen years ago. Mr. Howgate, says a dispatch, was dressed in a neat black suit, and seemed bright and cheerful, conversing most of the time with his daughter and others seated near him.

A Newport (R. I.) correspondent writes: "The dinner by Maj. and Mrs. T. K. Gibbs Tuesday evening, was another brilliant affair of the week. The guests were Prof. Alexander Agassiz, John C. Bancroft, Samuel R. Honey, Hon. and Mrs. William McAdoo, in whose honor the affair was; Prof. Walcott Gibbs, Frederick P. Sands, Commodore Rush R. Wallace, U. S. N.; William R. Hunter, and Col. Loder, U. S. A., commanding of Fort Adams. Among those renting cottages is Lieut. C. H. Harlow, U. S. N."

The Society of Colonial Wars, one of the youngest, but also one of the most progressive, of the various organizations for the perpetuation of American history, has been arranging during the last year for a grand celebration June 17 at the little seaport town of Louisburg, on the southeastern extremity of the bleak and distant island of Cape Breton, lying off the east coast of Nova Scotia, from which it is separated by the narrow Straits of Canso, of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the capture of Louisburg, in 1745, from the French by the Colonial troops, aided by the naval fleet of England, under the command of Sir Peter Warren.

"Probably the most interesting feature of the line on Memorial Day was the Cavalry from Fort Myer," says the Washington "Star." The horses were all fine animals, about equally divided between blacks and bays, with about six gray horses among them. The band of the 6th Cavalry, which headed this contingent, is a decided novelty in this vicinity. It rendered excellent music and made a decidedly favorable impression. Maj. T. C. Lebo, U. S. A., was in command of the battalion of the 6th Cavalry, which was made up of Troop A, Capt. H. M. Kendall, First Lieut. J. M. Stotsenburg; Troop B, Capt. L. A. Craig, First Lieut. J. H. Harman; Troop E, Capt. B. H. Cheever, Second Lieut. B. B. Hyer, Lieut. W. C. Short was the Cavalry Squadron Adjutant.

Columbus Barracks items from the "Army Herald" are: Major William E. Waters, Post Surgeon, recently granted a leave for one month and fifteen days, will spend his vacation at the watering places and points of interest along the coast of Maine, accompanied by Mrs. Waters. Major Charles Bird, Quartermaster, is packing up preparatory to leaving for Washington as soon as he is relieved by Capt. Edgar S. Dudley. Capt. Dudley left San Antonio June 6, and will arrive about June 16. Capt. Dudley's clerk, Mr. G. G. Bailey, accompanied by Mrs. Bailey, is expected about June 10. Judge Sage, of the U. S. Court, and Mrs. Sage, from Cincinnati, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Capt. Burns. The 17th Infantry band surprised them with a beautiful serenade last Tuesday evening. Lieut. William A. Mann, 17th Inf., recently granted a leave, left Tuesday for West Point, N. Y., to attend the reunion of the graduating class of '75 from the Military Academy, of which he was a member. First Sergeant Charles A. Joachim, Co. B, 4th Inf., was married this week to Miss Katie Donovan, daughter of late Ord. Sergeant Donovan. Joachim was formerly a Sergeant in Co. A of Instruction at this Post, and Assistant Instructor in the garrison. He has many friends in and around this Post. Lieut. Michele, granted a leave of seven days, will visit his father, Professor Peter S. Michele, senior professor at West Point.

Engineer-in-Chief George W. Melville paid a flying visit to Philadelphia on Thursday last.

Lieut. E. M. Weaver, 2d Art., left Fort Adams, R. I., June 10, on a post leave of seven days.

Lieut. W. H. Johnston, Jr., 16th U. S. Inf., will spend the summer at Old Orchard, St. Louis County, Mo.

Secretary of War Lamont paid a hurried visit to New York June 12 to see Mrs. Lamont and family off to the country.

Lieut. E. H. Webber, 20th Inf., who has been spending a leave at Philadelphia, has rejoined at Fort Leavenworth.

Col. F. L. Town, Asst. Surg. General, is preparing to leave San Antonio for the North, to spend July and August on leave.

Brig. Gen. Craighill, Chief of Engineers, ran over to Baltimore on Wednesday to attend to some private matters which required attention.

Col. G. M. Brayton, U. S. A., retired, and Mrs. Brayton arrived at Nantucket, Mass., June 8, and expect to remain in their cottage there for the summer.

The marriage of Miss Adeline Elwell Austen, daughter of Col. David E. Austen, to Willis Lee Sawyer, of Montclair, N. J., took place June 12, at Grace Church, New York.

Maj. T. E. Willcox, Surgeon, U. S. A., arrived in New York City this week from Arizona and went on to Clayville, N. Y., to spend a leave before joining at Fort Schuyler.

Col. J. G. Tilford, U. S. A., retired and Mrs. Tilford have closed their residence, 413 West End Ave., New York City, for the summer, and are now visiting their daughter Mrs. Cameron at West Point.

Miss M. A. Wallace, daughter of the late Mr. James Wallace, was married June 12 to Capt. Lionel Francis Abbot Barlow, of the 1st Royal Berkshire Regt., British Army, at the home of her mother, 55 West 38th St., New York City.

Lieut. P. B. Malone, 13th Inf., was married June 12 to Miss Gertrude E. Kerwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kerwin, of 316 West 88th St., New York City. After a brief wedding tour the married couple go to Fort Niagara, N. Y.

Lieut. Gen. Schofield, on his recent visit to Fort Leavenworth, verbally directed Lieut. J. E. Brady, Jr., to proceed to Fort Bliss for temporary duty with the 18th Infantry. Mrs. Brady is at present at El Paso for the benefit of her health.

Maj. John B. Babcock, A. G. Department, on duty in charge of the Military Information Division, War Department, is receiving the congratulations of his friends over the promotion of his son to be a corporal in the Military Academy Battalion.

Brig. Gen. Daniel W. Flagler, Chief of Ordnance, left last week on an inspection trip of the Watervliet Arsenal and Sandy Hook. While en route to Watervliet, Gen. Flagler stopped at West Point and visited his son, who is an instructor at the Academy.

The following Army officers registered at the War Department during the past week: Chaplain James C. Kerr, Lieut. Col. A. Mackenzie, Engineer Corps; 2d Lieut. H. M. Reeve, 3d Inf.; Capt. Edwin F. Gardner, Medical Department, and 1st Lieut. Frank L. Dodds, 9th Inf.

Secretary Lamont has announced his intention of having a body of regular troops participate in the inauguration of the Chickamauga National Park on Sept. 19-20. It is probable that the troops used for this purpose will be ordered from posts in the immediate vicinity of the Park.

The marriage of Miss Ethel H. Scott, daughter of Mrs. James Scott, to James Alston Cabell, of Richmond, Va., took place June 12, at the home of the bride's mother, 590 Fifth Ave., New York. The bride's uncle, Julian Cabell, a brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man.

Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., will welcome, by promotion in August next, Capt. H. L. Ripley, 3d Cav., now a 1st Lieutenant at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. He is an honor graduate of the Infantry and Cavalry School. It seems but the other day, and yet it is 16 years ago, since we met Lieut. Ripley at Governor's Island on duty with the Fitz John Porter court.

Officers of the Army lately visiting in New York City are: Capt. L. P. Hunt, Lieut. W. A. Mann, Sturtevant House; Major G. W. Davis, Westminster Hotel; Col. F. C. Ainsworth, Metropole; Major E. P. Ewers, Grand Union; Capt. W. L. Fagadorn, Park Avenue; Lieut. G. F. Barney, Lieut. C. B. Higdon, Lieut. G. L. Converse, Jr., Capt. G. D. Fitch, Capt. O. L. Hein, Lieut. W. Uline, Lieut. W. H. Wilhelm, Lieut. H. R. Hickok and Mrs. Hickok, Capt. D. A. Howard, Grand Hotel; Lieut. G. W. Van Deusen, Brunswick Hotel.

Maj. Gen. Miles' interest in military bicycling is unflagging. Early on Saturday morning last he received the letter sent from Chicago by Maj. Gen. Merritt by bicycle relay in unprecedented time, and on June 12 the letter from Madison Barracks, conveyed by Lieut. H. D. Wise, 9th Inf., on bicycle. Lieut. Wise, accompanied by one soldier, left Sackett's Harbor at 5:05 A. M. June 9, and carried a dispatch from the post commander, Lieut. Col. Kline, to Maj. Gen. Miles. The soldier who accompanied him had his bicycle broken in a collision before reaching New York. The trip was a most successful experiment.

Capt. Wm. S. McCaskey, of the 20th U. S. Inf., was on May 30 commissioned Major in the same regiment. He is not yet fifty-two years of age, and is the youngest Major in the Army, as he has for some time been the youngest senior Captain. He has been in service almost continuously since the fall of Fort Sumter. He joined the Lancaster Fencibles (Co. F, 1st Penn. Vol.) at the age of seventeen, which company left Lancaster a few days after the attack on Fort Sumter. He then re-enlisted as Orderly Sergeant of Company B, 79th Pa., under Capt. David Miles. He was afterwards made Captain of Company B, re-enlisted with the veteran organization, and was mustered out with the 79th P. V. at the close of the War. He was never absent from his regiment, never in a hospital, and never wounded, though present in all of the twenty-eight battles, from Chaplin Hills to Bentonville, in which this famous regiment took part, always with the reputation of a brave soldier and a gallant officer. His appointment to the regular Army came as a surprise from Hon. Thaddeus Stevens. He had not asked for it, and was at the Eastman College when Mr. Stevens sent him word that the position was his if he cared to accept it. He has seen service since that time mainly in the Western country, with the exception of two or three years at David's Island. He is now stationed at Fort Leavenworth, and is much pleased, as are the men of his command, that his promotion does not remove him from the 20th regiment.

Paymr. J. Corwine, U. S. N., arrived at Newport, R. I., June 12, on a short visit.

Ensign S. E. Kittelle, U. S. N., registered at the Casino, Newport, R. I., this week.

The Retiring Board, it is understood, has recommended Med. Dir. A. A. Hoebling for retirement.

P. A. Engr. F. C. Biag, U. S. N., is spending a short leave with his family in Montgomery County, Pa.

Rear Adm. Henry Erben, U. S. N., retired, is spending a portion of the summer at Great Barrington, Mass.

P. A. Engr. E. H. Scribner, U. S. N., who has been on waiting orders in Lowell, Mass., will join the U. S. S. Atlanta next Thursday.

Capt. Kataoka, of the Imperial Japanese Navy, is a recent guest at the Gilsey House, New York. He is on a tour around the world.

Miss Antonia Marin, daughter of the late Capt. M. C. Marin, U. S. N., was proposed on June 12 as a stockholder of the Newport Casino.

Lieut. J. J. Hood, U. S. N., who is at present on duty on the U. S. S. Atlanta, will appear before the Board of Examination for promotion next Thursday.

His friends in the service are congratulating Prof. Ira N. Hollis, of Harvard, late Passed Asst. Engr., U. S. N., on the addition of a daughter to his family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gould were entertained at dinner by the wardroom officers of the San Francisco while that good ship was lying at Southampton some days ago.

Mrs. Hunt, wife of P. Asst. Paymr. Livingston Hunt, U. S. N., is spending the season with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Hunt at Newport, R. I.

The examining boards have approved for promotion Lieut. Comdr. J. N. Hemphill and Lieut. (Junior Grade) L. M. Garrett. Their names have been sent to the President.

Lieut. Vreeland, naval attaché to the U. S. Embassy in Vienna, is a recent arrival in Berlin on his way to Kiel, to be present at the opening of the Baltic-North Sea Canal.

P. A. Engr. Ward P. Winchell has been in Washington for the past few days, undergoing re-examination for promotion at the Washington Navy Yard. He is attached to the Bancroft.

Lieut. Comdr. W. T. Swainburne, Lieuts. J. A. Norris and D. W. Coffman, Ensigns E. H. Durrell, P. A. Engr. F. W. Bartlett and Asst. Engr. H. O. Stickney, recently on duty at the Naval Academy, joined the Bancroft at Annapolis last Saturday.

In a long letter to the New York "Sun" Robert G. Denig, U. S. N., tells of some of the striking scenes of war witnessed by him in China. As the letter is dated April 6, the information it contains is not new, but is interesting as the testimony of an eye-witness.

Lieut. A. P. Niblack, who was Adm. Meade's Flag Lieutenant when that officer was in command of the North Atlantic Squadron, is now attending to his new duties at the Navy Department. Lieut. Niblack was warmly welcomed by his brother officers in Washington.

The following officers of the Navy registered at the Navy Department during the past week: Asst. Paymr. Richard Hatton, Naval Cadets R. S. Douglas and J. R. Morris and Chester Wells, Asst. Engr. Ward P. Winchell, Lieut. Perry Gast and Chief Engr. C. W. Rae.

Navy officers recently visiting in New York are Commander C. J. Train, Windsor Hotel; Lieut. J. A. Shearman, Naval Cadet J. L. Sticht, Grand Hotel; Lieut. C. P. Shaw, St. Denis; Asst. Surgeon E. M. Shipp, The Marlborough; Capt. G. C. Remey, Murray Hill Hotel; Asst. Surgeon L. Morris, Brunswick.

Commo. W. T. Sampson, Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks, and Commo. R. R. Wallace, commanding naval station at Newport, R. I., with Comdr. G. A. Converse, U. S. N., of the torpedo station, went to Bristol, R. I. on June 7 in the Stiletto, to take a look at the new yacht Defender now in course of construction.

The whalership Kite has been chartered to carry the expedition to Greenland to bring back Civil Engineer Peary, the arctic explorer. Emile Diebitsch, Mr. Peary's brother-in-law, will have charge of the party. Mrs. Peary will wait for the return of her husband at St. John's. The Kite is to start about the middle of July.

It is stated on good authority that Chief Engr. Geo. W. Baird, recently detached from the Dolphin, will succeed Chief Engr. Thos. Williamson as Superintendent of the War, State and Navy Building, when that officer retires during the summer. Chief Engr. Baird has many warm friends who will be glad to see him get the billet.

Argument was heard by Judge Bradley, in the District Court, on a motion for a rule directing Secretary Herbert to show cause why a writ of mandamus should not be issued compelling him to restore John M. Quackenbush to his former rank as Commander in the Navy, place him on the retired list and insert his name in its proper place in "The Naval Register."

Secretary Lamont is considering the request of Lieut. Michael L. O'Brien to remain in Japan as Military Attaché of the United States legation in Tokio. Lieut. O'Brien intimated in a communication to the Department written some months ago, that he expected to be back in this country by the middle of the summer. It is his desire to study more closely the organization of the Japanese Army, and asked the Secretary that permission be accorded him to remain abroad until the fall. It is believed that the Secretary will grant Lieut. O'Brien's request.

Lieut. Spencer S. Wood, U. S. Navy, was married June 12 at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to Miss M. Margaretha Fryer, daughter of Mr. A. S. Fryer. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride. The best man was Ensign G. W. Logan. Miss Ella Fryer, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Alice Laidlaw and Miss Elizabeth Wood, sister of the bridegroom. The ushers were Ensigns A. T. Long and Roger Welles, Jr., Edith Fryer, a little sister of the bride, was flower girl, and the pages were Masters Alexander Pascal, Livingston Fryer and Robert Laidlaw.

Bicycling is the fad in Army and Navy circles in Washington, and the latest convert is said to be no less a personage than Rear Adm. Meade, U. S. N., retired. Finding time hanging heavily on his hands in the Capital City, the Admiral is said to be negotiating for the purchase of a wheel, and it is expected that he will soon be riding around the concrete streets in as efficient a manner as he trod a man-of-war's decks. A warm devotee of the wheel is P. A. Engr. H. P. Norton, on duty in the Bureau of Steam Engineering, who is frequently seen in company with a number of other naval officers spinning down the thoroughfares.

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy will leave Washington on the Dolphin on Monday next, on an inspection tour of the Naval Militia organizations of the Atlantic Coast. He will first go to Wilmington, N. C., where he will be received by the North Carolina militia, and after inspecting this body of men, he will go to Charleston, S. C. He will then come north, stopping en route at Baltimore, Md., to inspect the Maryland reserve. He has not yet completed his full itinerary.

It may be that Adm. Ramsay will not be the next Commander-in-Chief of the North Atlantic Squadron. Well informed officers are beginning to suspect that there has been a change of programme in connection with this important detail. While there is really no tangible evidence of this, hints dropped here and there show that it is by no means settled that the Admiral will go to sea, at least for the present. The Secretary is said to have taken under consideration the fact that it would not be well to leave an inexperienced officer to act as Secretary when both he and Mr. McAdoo were absent. In case the Admiral should not go to sea, the command will probably go either to Commo. Bunce or Commo. Selfridge, with the chances in favor of the former.

Comdr. Charles S. Sperry, on duty in the Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department, is packing up preparatory to removal to the New York Navy Yard, where he has been ordered to duty as Ordnance Officer on July 1. Comdr. Sperry, in addition to other duties, had charge of the smokeless powder branch of the Bureau, and to his efforts in great part are due the splendid results which have been attained from the well known Navy "K" explosive. His work in connection with the construction of the submarine boat, the contract for which was recently awarded, while the cause of a flood of tears from the eyes of the Recording Angel, has been very favorably commented upon by Navy Department officials. Capt. Sampson and Comdr. Sperry's brother officers in the Bureau greatly regret his departure, as a more efficient or popular officer cannot be found in the Navy Department.

It is expected that when Secretary Herbert returns from his visit to Alabama, he will issue orders directing the detachment of Comdr. G. E. Ide from the command of the Alert. Before his departure on Monday last for the South, he had the matter under consideration, but failed to act so far as can be learned. Comdr. Ide's difficulty with the Department grows out of charges preferred against him by Adm. Meade. As was stated in the Journal at the time while the North Atlantic Squadron was at Colon, Asst. Secretary McAdoo and the Admiral ran over to Panama to visit the Alert. They went to the Grand Hotel, where they found Comdr. Ide dressed in civilian clothes. Comdr. Ide, according to the Admiral, failed to salute him, and when brought to task declared he had done so. Thereupon the Admiral informed him that he would file charges of discourtesy and untruthfulness against him. He also complained at the failure of Comdr. Ide to have a boat at the wharf to meet the Asst. Secretary and himself upon their arrival at Panama.

The Board of Naval Visitors to the Naval Academy found matters in excellent shape at Annapolis. Representative Sayers, of Texas, is now engaged in formulating the report of the Board. The report, it is understood, will speak very highly of the officers on duty at the Academy and of the discipline maintained there. The Board was very much pleased with its reception by Capt. Cooper, the Superintendent of the Academy, and the other officers of the institution and its entertainment while at Annapolis. It made a thorough inspection of the buildings and grounds, and as a result has determined to recommend the improvement of the former. It will recommend that a board of five naval officers be ordered to visit the Academy, examine all the buildings and report when they were built, the cost of their construction and their present value, with a view to giving Congress an idea of the amount to appropriate for the improvement. It is the intention of the Board to urge the renovation of some of the buildings and the substitution of new structures for the old ones, which are now an eyesore to the naval officers stationed at Annapolis.

Private Albert Matthey, Battery G, 1st Art., to whose contemplated bicycle ride from Fort Hamilton to Chicago, carrying a letter from Major General Miles to Major General Merritt we referred last week, started on his long journey at 6 A. M. June 10. Lieuts. Honeycutt and Hawthorne were present to hand him the letter and note the time of departure. Private Matthey, in the regulation fatigue uniform, carried two pairs of blankets, strapped to his back, a canteen was slung over his shoulder and in his knapsack were a change of underclothing and the regular kit. He is not endeavoring to lower any records, will ride at a fair pace from sunrise to sunset, and will camp wherever night overtakes him, and will sleep under shelter only when it rains. The soldier is a well built young fellow twenty-three years of age, and was born in Brooklyn. Four years ago he was left a legacy, lost the money in an unfortunate business venture and enlisted. He is an enthusiastic wheelman and is a prominent member of the Prospect Club of South Brooklyn. He has chosen the route laid out by the League of American Wheelmen guides. His first stop will be at Poughkeepsie. From there he will go on Albany, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo, Erie, Pa., Cleveland and then to Chicago. He expects to make the trip in twelve days, but there are bets that he will cover the distance in quicker time than this. His daily expenses have been figured at seventy-two cents a day.

The Madagascar "News" of April 13 says: "The despatch of American warships to these waters should have been decided upon months ago. The British Government are even more deserving of blame, for they have not yet taken any steps to make evident an intention, if it exists, to protect British interests in this island. The consequence of the official neglect to preserve a firm attitude has been arrogant if not insulting behavior by the French to at least one British mail steamer, and we fear, even more sad result to American citizens. Unless Great Britain co-operates with America for a firm attitude towards France in her pretensions over Madagascar a judicial massacre of British subjects on the coast, at the instance of the French 'military authorities,' may become, within the next few weeks, one of those 'circumstances over which the French Government might have no control.' " The same paper discusses the question, whether it would be the cheapest to burn Antananarivo or let it be occupied by the French.

The military workshop of Puteaux, in France, is turning out leather tires for the Army cycles in place of India rubber ones, which are difficult to repair when they break down. Leather tires can be sewn without much trouble by the cyclist or a neighboring shoemaker. Moreover, they are lighter than caoutchouc ones, and less apt to slip on wet pavement or asphalt.

## THE ARMY.

DANIEL S. LAMONT, Secy of War. J. B. DOE, Asst. Secy.

## LATE ARMY ORDERS.

The following are ordered to Sioux Falls, S. D., to appear as witnesses in the case of United States vs. Asel Kyes: Maj. Charles W. Foster, U. S. A., retired; Maj. F. H. Hathaway, Q. M.; Capt. George E. Bond, A. Q. M.; Capt. E. B. Fuller, 7th Cav.; Capt. H. L. Scott, 7th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Z. W. Torrey, 6th Inf., and 1st Lieut. William E. Almy, 5th Cav. (S. O. June 13, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Oscar Etting, 3d Cav., ordered home to await retirement. (S. O. June 13, H. Q. A.)

Capt. James C. Ayres, Ord. Dept., ordered to make four visits to Sen Girt, N. J., on business pertaining to construction of a seacoast battery. (S. O. June 13, H. Q. A.)

Leave for four months is granted 2d Lieut. E. L. Phillips, 6th Cav. (S. O. June 13, H. Q. A.)

Leave for two months is granted Capt. M. C. Wyeth, Asst. Surg. (S. O. June 13, H. Q. A.)

A. G. C. M., at Fort Grant, Arizona, June 6, 1895. Detail: Maj. Theodore A. Baldwin, Capt. Henry J. Nowlan, Edward S. Godfrey and Edward G. Matthey, 7th Cav.; Capt. George S. Hoyle, 1st Cav.; Capt. John C. Gresham, 1st Lieut. Sedgwick Rice, 7th Cav.; 2d Lieut. John D. L. Hartman, 1st Cav.; 2d Lieut. Charles J. Symonds, 7th Cav.; 2d Lieut. William H. Osborne, 1st Cav.; 2d Lieut. George W. Cole, 7th Cav.; 1st Lieut. L. S. McCormick, 7th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Horatio G. Sickel, Adj., 7th Cav., is appointed recruiting officer at Fort Grant, Arizona, relieving June 1, D. Col.)

Maj. William M. Wallace, 2d Cav.; Capt. Charles A. Coolidge, 7th Inf.; Capt. Joshua L. Fowler, 2d Cav., and Capt. Frederick M. H. Kendrick, 7th Inf., are detailed as additional members of the G. C. M. convened by Par. 3, S. O. 31, c. s., D. Col. (S. O. 32, June 1, D. Col.)

G. O. 8, June 3, 1895, Dept. of Columbia. Describes the boundaries of the military reservation of Boise Barracks, Idaho.

## Circular May 10, 1895, Dept California.

Publishes the method of instruction in the service of the 12-inch B. L. rifled mortar, prepared under the direction of Col. William M. Graham, 5th Art., by Capt. Frank Thorp, Elbridge R. Hills and Henry J. Reilly, of the same regiment, which is approved for the instruction and guidance of artillery troops in this Department.

## G. O. 15, June 4, Dept. California.

Under the provisions of par. 1, S. O. No. 117, c. s., H. Q. A., A. G. O., Lieut. Col. John I. Rodgers, 2d Art., is at his own request, relieved from further duty in the Dept. of California, and will comply with orders he has received from H. Q. A.

1st Lieut. J. F. Reynolds Landis, 1st Cav., A. D. C., will, until further orders, take charge of the office of Inspector of Artillery.

1st Lieut. J. F. Reynolds Landis, 1st Cav., A. D. C., is announced as Acting Engineer Officer of the Department, by command of Brig. Gen. Forsyth:

O. D. GREENE, Asst. Adj. Gen. The leave granted Capt. Ogden Rafferty, Asst. Surg., is extended 14 days. (S. O. 70, June 4, D. Cal.)

## H. Q. A., A. G. O. June 10, 1895.

Appointments, etc., recorded in the A. G. O. during the week ending Saturday, June 8, 1895.

Lieut. Col. John H. Page, 22d Inf., to be Colonel, May 31, 1895, vice Mason, 3d Inf., retired from active service—to the 3d Inf.

Maj. Loyd Wheaton, 20th Inf., to be Lieut. Col., May 31, 1895, vice Page, 22d Inf., promoted—to the 22d Inf.

Capt. William S. McCaskey, 20th Inf., to be Major, May 31, 1895, vice Wheaton, 20th Inf., promoted—to the 20th Inf.

1st Lieut. Henry B. Moon, 20th Inf., to be Captain, May 31, 1895, vice McCaskey, 20th Inf., promoted—to the 20th Inf.

2d Lieut. Edward R. Chrisman, 2d Inf., to be 1st Lieut., May 31, 1895, vice Moon, 20th Inf., promoted—to the 20th Inf.

To be Assistant Surgeon from June 6 with the rank of Captain, after five years' service, in conformity with the act of June 23, 1874.

1st Lieuts. Frank R. Keefer, Henry D. Snyder, Thomas U. Raymond, Allen M. Smith, Ashton B. Heyl, Joseph T. Clarke. Casualty.

Capt. William R. Pease (retired) died June 7, 1895, at Wallingford, Conn.

## THOS. M. VINCENT, Acting Adj. Gen.

## STAFF DEPARTMENTS.

The following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the Medical Department are ordered:

Lieut. Col. Theo. Schwan, A. A. G., is announced as Adj. Gen. Dept. of Platte. (G. O. 13, June 8, D. P.)

Com. Sergt. Hubert Franklin will proceed to his station, Madison Barracks, N. Y. (O. 53, Fort Myer, June 6.)

The leave of absence granted Capt. Francis J. Kieran, A. J. A., is extended seven days. (S. O. 76, June 7, D. T.)

Leave for ten days is granted to Maj. Albert S. Towar, Chief Paymr. Dept. of Platte. (S. O. 75, June 6, D. P.)

Hospital Steward G. D. Bell will proceed to the A. and N. Gen. Hospital, Hot Springs, for treatment. (O. 69, Fort Monroe, June 5.)

Leave for two months, to take effect about July 1, 1895, is granted Col. Francis L. Town, Asst. Surg. Gen. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

Leave of absence for one month and twenty days, to take effect on or about Aug. 10, 1895, is granted Maj. Louis M. Manus, Surg. (S. O. June 8, H. Q. A.)

Leave for seven days, with permission to apply for an extension of twenty-three days, is granted Chaplain H. H. Hall. (O. 40, Fort Barrancas, June 4.)

Leave for two months and four days, to take effect on or about July 8, 1895, is granted Post Chaplain John S. Seibold, U. S. A. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

Com. Sergt. Wm. Kenkle, now at Fort Warren, Mass. (on furlough from West Point, N. Y.), will be sent to San Antonio, Tex., for temporary duty. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

Leave for three months, to take effect when he shall be relieved from his present duties, on or about June 30, 1895, is granted Capt. Chas. Richard, Asst. Surg. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

Com. Sergt. Geo. Cumming, now on furlough at Plover, Ia., will proceed, on expiration of his furlough (July 7, 1895) to Fort Walla Walla, Wash., for duty. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Philip G. Wales, Asst. Surg., now on temporary duty at Fort Niagara, N. Y., upon the arrival of Capt. Raymond at that post, will return to his proper station, Fort McPherson, Ga.

The following named privates of the Hospital Corps are detailed as Acting Hospital Stewards: Frank J. Harvey, at Fort Warren, Mass.; Luther Thompson, at Fort Niagara, N. Y. (S. O. June 8, H. Q. A.)

Maj. Elijah W. Halford, Paymr., is relieved from duty at Omaha, Neb., to take effect July 1, 1895, and will report for duty in Dept. of Colo., with station at Denver, Colo. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Jas. E. Pilcher, Asst. Surg., will be relieved from duty at Fort Niagara, N. Y., upon the expiration of his present sick leave, and will then report in person to the C. O., Columbus Barracks, O., for duty.

Capt. Harry O. Perley, Asst. Surg., will report in person to Col. Charles H. Alden, Asst. Surg. Gen., President of the

Examining Board appointed to meet in Washington, D. C., by S. O. 105, May 4, 1894, H. Q. A. (S. O. June 8, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Charles Richard, Asst. Surg., is relieved from duty at the U. S. Military Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to take effect June 30, 1895, and will proceed to comply with Par. 3, S. O. 112, May 13, 1895, H. Q. A. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Harry O. Perley, Asst. Surg., upon the completion of his examination for promotion, will proceed to Hot Springs, Ark., and take charge, as C. O., of the Army and Navy General Hospital, and relieve Lieut. Col. Alfred A. Woodhull, Deputy Surg. Gen.

Brig. Gen. J. J. Coppingher, commanding Dept. of Platte, accompanied by Maj. Charles F. Humphrey, Chief Q. M. of Dept., will proceed to and make an inspection of the troops at Forts Niobrara and Robinson, Neb., and Russell, Wyo. (S. O. 71, June 3, D. P.)

Payment of troops in the Dept. of Platte on the muster of May 31, will be made as follows: By Maj. Wm. H. Comegys, at Forts Niobrara, Neb.; Meade, S. Dakota; Robinson, Neb., and Russell, Wyo.; by Maj. Elijah W. Halford, Paymr., at Fort Omaha, Neb. (S. O. 71, June 3, D. P.)

Capt. William J. Wakeman, Asst. Surg., will be relieved from duty at Fort Thomas, Ky., upon the arrival there of Capt. Robert J. Gibson, Asst. Surg., and will, upon the expiration of his leave, report in person to the C. O., Fort Huachuca, Ariz., Ter., for duty. (S. O. June 11, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Joseph T. Clarke, Asst. Surg., will be relieved from duty at Fort Omaha, Neb., by the C. O. of that post, and will then report to the C. O., Fort Washington, Wyo., for duty, to relieve Capt. Henry I. Raymond, Asst. Surg., who will report in person to the C. O., Fort Niagara, N. Y., for duty.

Capt. Louis Brechenmier, Asst. Surg., will be relieved from duty at Columbus Barracks, O., upon the return of Maj. Wm. E. Waters, Surg., from leave, and will then proceed to and take station at Baltimore, Md., for duty as attending surgeon in that city. He will also enter upon duty as examiner of recruits in Baltimore.

The troops in the Dept. of Colorado will be paid to include the muster of May 31, 1895, as follows: By Lieut. Col. J. P. Canby, Deputy Paymr. Gen., at Forts Logan, Col., and Douglas, Utah; troops detached from Posts, and clerks and messengers at Dept. Headquarters. By Maj. W. H. Hammer, Paymr., at Forts Stanton, N. M.; Apache and Whipple Barracks, Ariz., and troops detached from Posts. (S. O. 32, May 27, D. C.)

So much of par 1, S. O. 134, June 10, 1895, H. Q. A., as relates to Capt. Wm. S. Patten, A. Q. M., is amended to direct that he be relieved from duty in the office of the Q. M. General, and that he then report in person to the C. General, Dept. of the East, for assignment to duty as assistant to the Chief Q. M. of that Dept., and as Post Q. M. at Governor's Island, N. Y. City, including the post of Fort Columbus. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Edwin F. Gardner, Asst. Surg., is relieved from duty as attending Surgeon and examiner of recruits in Boston, Mass., and will report in person to Col. Charles H. Alden, Asst. Surg. Gen., President of the Examining Board, appointed to meet in Washington, D. C., for examination by the board as to his fitness for promotion, and will report in person to the C. O., Fort Grant, Arizona Territory, for duty at that Post. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

Capt. James W. Pope, A. Q. M., is detailed to act temporarily as warden of the U. S. Penitentiary, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, from and after July 1, 1895, and the military guard at the prison will be retained on duty there for such length of time, not exceeding ninety days after June 30, 1895, as the Attorney General may deem necessary to enable the prisoners and property to be transferred to the care and custody of such officers as may be designated by the Department of Justice to receive them. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

The following assignments and changes in the stations and duties of officers of the Q. M. Dept. are ordered: Capt. Gonzalez S. Bingham, A. Q. M. (recently appointed), is relieved at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and will repair to Philadelphia, Penn., and report to Lieut. Col. Almon F. Rockwell, well, Deputy Q. M. Gen., depot of the Q. M. Dept. in that city, for duty at the Schuylkill Arsenal. Capt. James B. Aleckshire, A. Q. M. (recently appointed), upon the expiration of his present leave, will proceed to St. Louis, Mo., and report in person to Lieut. Col. James Gilliss, Deputy Q. M. Gen. Capt. John T. French Jr., A. Q. M. (recently appointed), now on duty in Washington, D. C., will report in person to the Q. M. Gen. for assignment to duty in his office. Capt. William S. Patten, A. Q. M., is relieved from duty in the office of the Q. M. Gen., and will report in person to the Commanding Gen., Dept. of the East, for duty as assistant to the Chief Q. M. of that Dept., and as Post Q. M. at Governor's Island, N. Y. City, and the Post of Fort Columbus. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

## CAVALRY, ARTILLERY AND INFANTRY.

## 1st CAVALRY.—COL. ABRAM K. ARNOLD.

1st Lieut. George W. Goode, 1st Cav., is relieved from duty at the U. S. Military Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to take effect June 30, 1895, and will join his troop. (S. O. 8, H. Q. A.)

Troop I, 1st Cav., recently returned to Fort Bayard from a scouting trip. It had been out about twenty days in the vicinity of Wilcox and old Fort Bowie, Ariz., scouting for Indians reported seen in that vicinity, but failed to find any trace of them.

2d Lieut. William J. Glasgow, 1st Cav., will proceed to San Antonio, Tex., and report in person to Brig. Gen. Zenas R. Bliss, for appointment as A. D. C. (S. O. June 11, H. Q. A.)

Leave for two months, to take effect on or about June 14, 1895, is granted 2d Lieut. John W. Furlong, 1st Cav. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

## 3d CAVALRY.—COL. ANSON MILLS.

Lieut. Col. George A. Purington, 3d Cav., will report in person to Col. Hamilton S. Hawkins, 20th Inf., president of the Army Retiring Board at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., at such time as he may designate, for examination by the board. (S. O. June 11, H. Q. A.)

## 4th CAVALRY.—COL. CHAS. E. COMPTON.

Leave for one month and fifteen days, on Surg.'s cert., to take effect on or about July 1, 1895, is granted Capt. Charles A. P. Hatfield, 4th Cav., Recruiting Officer. (S. O. June 7, H. Q. A.)

2d Lieut. Clough Overton, 4th Cav., is detailed as Professor of Military Science and Tactics, at the Maryland Agricultural College, College Park, Md., to take effect Sept. 1, 1895, and will report in person on that date for duty accordingly, and relieve 1st Lieut. John S. Grisard, 7th Inf., who will then proceed to join his company. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

## 5th CAVALRY.—COL. JAMES F. WADE.

Leave from Sept. 1 to Nov. 10, 1895, inclusive, is granted 2d Lieut. James G. Harbord, 5th Cav. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

## 6th CAVALRY.—COL. DAVID S. GORDON.

The leave granted 2d Lieut. George C. Barnhardt, 6th Mo.

2d Lieut. Charles D. Rhodes, 6th Cav., at his own request, is relieved from duty at the Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, to take effect June 20, 1895, and will join his troop. (S. O. June 10, H. Q. A.)

Leave for seven days is granted 1st Lieut. E. F. Wilcox, Adjutant, 6th Cav. (O. 56, Fort Myer, June 12)

## 7th CAVALRY.—COL. EDWIN V. SUMNER.

Leave for fifteen days, to take effect upon the conclusion of his examination for promotion, is granted 1st Lieut.

Horatio G. Sickel, Adj., 7th Cav. (S. O. June 7, H. Q. A.)

The enlisted men of Co. I (Indians), 10th Inf., at Fort Sill, O. T., are transferred to Troop L, 7th Cav., stationed at the same post, to take effect July 1, 1895. (S. O. June 11, H. Q. A.)

The leave granted 2d Lieut. Wm. G. Fitz-Gerald, 7th Cav., is extended one month. (S. O. June 11, H. Q. A.)

## 8th CAVALRY.—COL. CALEB H. CARLTON.

The leave granted to 2d Lieut. Joseph T. Crabb, 8th Cav., is extended fourteen days on Surg.'s cert. (S. O. 8, D. Dak.)

Capt. Charles M. O'Connor, 8th Cav., will attend the encampment of the 2d Regiment of Infantry, N. G. of Missouri, at Sedalia, Mo., from the 4th to the 11th of August, 1895. (S. O. June 11, H. Q. A.)

## 10th CAVALRY.—COL. JOHN K. MIZNER.

Leave for ten days, to take effect about June 15, 1895, is granted 1st Lieut. Malvern-Hill Barnum, 10th Cav., Fort Custer, Mont. (S. O. 88, June 5, D. Dak.)

## 1st ARTILLERY.—COL. ROYAL T. FRANK.

Leave for three days is granted Capt. H. W. Hubbell, 1st Art. (O. 43, Fort Wadsworth, June 9.)

Capt. C. V. Parkstone, 1st Art., has been promoted Sergeant, and Artificer T. Koehler appointed Corporal in Battery M, 1st Art.

Lieut. C. J. Bailey, 1st Art., is detailed counsel in a case before G. C. M. (Orders 44, Fort Hamilton, June 11.)

Leave for two days is granted Lieut. M. F. Harmon, 1st Art. (Orders 44, Fort Wadsworth, June 11.)

## 2d ARTILLERY.—COL. RICHARD LODOR.

Leave for seven days is granted Lieut. Lotus Niles, 2d Art. (O. 51, Fort Adams, June 8.)

The leave for seven days granted 2d Lieut. Warren H. Mitchell, 2d Art., is extended four days. (S. O. 138, June 10, D. E.)

Leave for seven days is granted Lieut. Sebree Smith, 2d Art. (O. 51, Fort Adams, June 8.)

The leave granted Lieut. D. E. Aultman, 2d Art., is extended one day. (O. 61, Fort Warren, June 9.)

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, to take effect on being relieved from Rodgers, 2d Art. (S. O. June 12, H. Q. A.)

## 3d ARTILLERY.—COL. EDMUND C. BAINBRIDGE.

Capt. Henry C. Danes, 3d Art., will proceed to Fort McPherson, Ga., and report to the J. A. G. C. M. to give testimony before the court. (S. O. 136, June 7, D. E.)

Leave for three days is granted Lieut. James Hamilton, 3d Art. (O. 68, Washington Barracks, June 6.)

Lieut. J. M. Calif., 3d Art., is assigned to temporary duty with Battery K, during the absence of Lieut. R. F. Gardner, 2d Art. (Key West Barracks, June 5.)

## 4th ARTILLERY.—COL. HENRY W. CLOSSON.

Leave for five days is granted Lieut. H. H. Whitney, 4th Art. (O. 66, Washington Barracks, June 1.)

Lance Corp. E. J. Couter, Bat. I, 4th Art., has been appointed Corporal.

Capt. Constantine Chase and 2d Lieut. Gordon G. Heiner, 4th Art., are detailed to attend the encampment of the District of Columbia N. G., at Fort Washington, Md., from the 13th to the 22d of June, 18

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## 18th INFANTRY.—COL. DAINGERFIELD PARKER.

Leave for four months, to take effect on or about July 12, 1895, is granted Maj. Abram A. Harbach, 18th Inf. (S. O., June 10, H. Q. A.)

## 20th INFANTRY.—COL. HAMILTON S. HAWKINS.

Leave for two months, to take effect when his services can be spared, is granted 1st Lieut. Harry C. Hale, 20th Inf. (A. D. C. (S. O., June 8, H. Q. A.)

## 21st INFANTRY.—COL. HORACE JEWETT.

2d Lieut. F. H. Lawton, 21st Inf., S. R. R. O., will proceed from Schenectady, N. Y., to Rutland, Vt., and Bellows Falls, Vt., to carry out the orders communicated to him by letter from the Regimental Commander. (O. 37, June 11, 21st Inf.)

Lieut. F. H. Lawton, 21st Inf., Recruiting Officer, Schenectady, N. Y., will proceed to Rutland and Bellows Falls, Vt., on recruiting business. (Orders 37, Plattsburgh Barracks, June 11.)

## 23d INFANTRY.—COL. SAMUEL OVENSHINE.

Leave for three months is granted 1st Lieut. Charles P. Russ, 23d Inf. (S. O., June 8, H. Q. A.)

## COURTS MARTIAL.

At Fort Niobrara, Neb., the 7th of June, 1895. Detail: Maj. James H. Gageby, 12th Inf.; Capt. James L. Vixen, 12th Inf.; Capt. Thomas Wilhelm, 8th Inf.; Capt. David J. Craigie, 12th Inf.; Capt. Frederick A. Smith, 12th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Wallis O. Clark, 12th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Charles W. Abbott, Jr., 12th Inf.; 1st Lieut. John Stafford, 8th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Thomas S. Bratton, Asst. Surg.; 2d Lieut. Alfred W. Drew, 12th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Wilbur E. Dove, 12th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Edward Taylor, 12th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Frank S. Cooley, 12th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Charles C. Ballou, 12th Inf., J. A. (S. O., June 3, D. P.)

A First Ringgold, Texas, June 8. Detail: Capt. William C. Forbush, 5th Cav.; Capt. Edwin P. Andrus, 5th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Samuel E. Adair, 5th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Champé C. McCulloch, Jr., Asst. Surg.; 2d Lieut. Solomon P. Vestal, 5th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Hollis C. Clark, 23d Inf.; 2d Lieut. Thomas F. Schley, 23d Inf.; 2d Lieut. Francis Leg. Parker, 5th Cav., J. A. (S. O., June 4, D. T.)

Garrison C. M. at Fort Columbus. Detail: Capt. J. Forrence, Lieuts. M. B. Safford, J. L. Donovan and H. L. Threlkeld, J. O. 75, Fort Columbus, June 6.)

A Garrison C. M. at Fort Hamilton. Detail: Lieuts. J. S. Oyster, F. Marsh, D. Price and G. W. S. Stevens, 1st Art. (O. 83, Fort Hamilton, June 10.)

At the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., June 5. Detail: Maj. John A. Darling, Capt. Benjamin K. Roberts, John McClellan, 1st Lieuts. William H. Coffin, 1st Art.; Alexander T. Dean, 4th Cav.; John D. Miley, 2d Lieuts. William G. Haan, Louis R. Burgess, 5th Art.; Samuel McP. Rutherford, 4th Cav.; John W. Joyes, 5th Art.; 2d Lieut. Charles P. Summerall, 5th Art., J. A. (S. O. 69, May 31, D. Cal.)

## ARMY BOARDS.

A board of officers, to consist of Lieut. Col. Geo. A. Purington, 3d Cav.; Lieut. Col. James Gilliss, Deputy Q. M. General, and Maj. John A. Kress, Ord. Dept., is appointed to meet at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., June 20, 1895, to recommend the proper location for the line of route of the St. Louis and Jefferson Barracks Street Railway Co., so far as it is to extend on the lands of the U. S., and the conditions upon which a license should be granted. (S. O., June 12, H. Q. A.)

## TRANSFERS.

At the request of the officers concerned, the following transfers in the Infantry Arm are ordered: 2d Lieut. Matt R. Peterson, from the 10th Inf. to the 13th Inf., Co. D; 2d Lieut. Matthew E. Saville, from the 13th Inf. to the 10th Inf., Co. I; 1st Lieut. Edson A. Lewis, from the 23d Inf. to the 18th Inf., Co. K; 1st Lieut. Charles P. Russ, from the 18th Inf. to the 23d Inf., Co. F. (S. O., June 8, H. Q. A.)

## ASSIGNMENTS TO REGIMENTS.

The following assignments to regiments of officers recently promoted are ordered: Capt. Henry B. Moon (promoted from 1st Lieut., 20th Inf.), to the 20th Inf., Co. B, to date from May 31, 1895, vice McCaskey, promoted; 1st Lieut. Edward R. Chrisman (promoted from 2d Lieut., 2d Inf.), to the 20th Inf., Co. A, to date from May 31, 1895, vice Moon, promoted. (S. O., June 7, H. Q. A.)

## WANTED HIS OWN GUN.

Capt. Selden A. Day, 5th U. S. Art., made an excellent address on Memorial Day in the cemetery at Fort Canby, Wash. In it he said: Some years ago talking with a friend in New York about the Egyptian pyramids, those gigantic tombs, church edifices and such matters generally, he remarked: "Have you never noticed in the history of the world, that more effort has been expended, and greater sacrifices made, by the human race, at the promptings of sentiment than ever for utility?" The thought was new to me at that time, but I have since had many occasions, in ripening experience, to note the correctness of his observation. It may seem strange to assign as an object of this sentiment in a strong man, the destructive machine of Brass and Wood and Iron bolts, we call a Cannon. But if human testimony goes for ought, in this world of doubt, I think I know of a case which was clearly proved.

It was in 1864; we were in front of Petersburg. I was then a young Lieutenant in the Regular Army, but recently promoted from the volunteers, and still, like many of my former comrades, had the idea that they perhaps alone were the ones who were fighting for a principle—in other words, a sentiment. It is true the volunteers had great respect for the regulars as "professional soldiers" but they had the notion that they perhaps did not care very much what they were fighting about, so long as they got their pay and rations regularly, and once in a while a little something else we used to get open from the commissary then. And must I confess do you forgive me to the truth and make me acknowledge that after 30 odd years of service in the Regular Army, I have not quite gotten over that notion yet? But to my story. One day I was passing through the battery when one of the sergeants, a chief of piece, accosted me, saying he would like to speak to me. "Well, what is it?" said I. He explained that in a recent reorganization of the personnel of the battery he had been transferred, as I was doubtless aware, from the right to the left section (as we called the platoons then) and which was mine. I saw that something was wrong, and thought that perhaps he did not like the idea of coming to me. The chief of the right section, his former one, was a gallant old soldier, a great favorite with the men, and as we were frequently detached, by section for service in different places along the line, perhaps some feeling of jealousy was at the bottom of my irritation when I said:

"Well, what of it?" "I want my own gun," said he.

"What gun?" I said. "They are all alike."

"Oh, no, sir," said he; "I want my old gun, the one I am used to."

"Nonsense, sergeant," said I; "don't be foolish. What's the difference, anyway?"

"Please come over, sir, and I will show you," was his reply. We walked over to the park and stood beside his favorite.

"See that bullet in her cheek," said he; "that and this (pointing to another) she got at Malvern Hill. See this scar on the hub, and the pieces gone from these two spokes? I found that hurt after Pickett's charge at Gettysburg. I did not notice when she got it; some of the men were killed. See this furrow in the metal of her body, and part of the rim-base gone? That was a piece of shell at Cold Harbor. Lieutenant, where you joined, and I would like to see her through and take her into Richmond." This was getting pretty close to home, and I turned away. I did not want him to see my face just then. His eyes were full of tears. A nice professional soldier, indeed, to cry over an old worn-out brass gun, just such as we use here now for saluting only, morning and evening.

As I walked off I said: "Never mind, Sergeant; I will try to have her brought over to our section."

He got his gun, but as for Richmond, when we got there, the Sergeant was not with us.

Have arms and implements of war a conscious entity? Can they speak words? All soldiers think they can. Do they ever show feeling and express sentiments? I have

sometimes thought they did. All soldiers know the language of the trumpet, from those cynical words of the reveille, to that saddest of all, pipe or horn, blown when the lights go out at night, and just now reverberating through the hills over these silent graves of soldiers.

We all know the weight of a 12-pound Napoleon gun with its carriage. It takes four to six horses to transport it. Dismounted it is a load for six good men, and yet I have seen such a gun, after recoil, from firing a solid shot, tip lightly over unto one wheel, releasing the broken leg at the light touch only by a comrade lifting up with a single hand. I have seen that same gun, with its mates, beth forth canister into the ranks of an advancing line, with a savage snarl, which plainly said: "Death to foes."

How differently they sounded when they boomed out the National salute, fired in the square of the Rebel Capitol after the fall of Richmond, only those who felt the joy of the occasion can ever know. What says this gun upon the Lighthouse Hill, when the fishermen have ventured too far, when the breakers at the turn of the tide mount upwards and, curling over like Niagara, capsizes the little boats and the lookout pulls the line? The report, echoing back and forth amongst the hills and across the bay: "Danger on the deep; to your lifeboats, crew, away!" And then this gun upon the sword, beneath that starry flag—what says it in the morning to all the country around? "Awake, the day has dawned! To your duties one and all!"

## SOCIETY NOTES.

"Form" is the title of an unusually attractive publication issued monthly by Messrs. Dempsey & Carroll. It is handsomely illustrated and contains much interesting society news from New York and other leading American cities and fashionable summer resorts. "A Study," on the second cover page, and "The Wedding Gem," page nine, are fine specimens of printing. From "Form" we take the following:

Gen. and Mrs. Daniel Butterfield are at their country house "Crayside," in Cold Spring, N. Y. Gen. and Mrs. John Watts Kearny and their daughter, Miss Mary Kearny, are making a tour on the Continent.

Mrs. U. S. Grant, who has been visiting Col. Fred Grant's family, will probably go to Saratoga this summer, and possibly Bar Harbor. She expects to make Washington her future home.

Col. and Mrs. George A. Forsyth are in New York for a short visit, after which they will sail for Europe.

Col. William Jay, formerly on the staff of Gen. McClellan, will occupy cottage "Rockledge" at Narragansett for the summer.

Lieut. Col. Marye, U. S. A., and his bride (née Marie Doyle) are in London, England, and will spend the months of June and July at the famous summer resort, Brighton.

## FORT RILEY, KAN.

There could not have been a more perfect June day than Tuesday, June 4, at Fort Riley, our usual nuisance, the dust, having been laid by the 3 inches of rain during the past week. The air was clear, it was delightfully cool and that part of the 20,000 acres of the military reservation included in the garrison proper was in perfect order, the gale occasion being the visit of Lieut. Gen. Schofield and party. The squadron of the 1st Cavalry, in command of Maj. Viele, formed on the parade facing Sheridan Ave., with the left opposite Forsyth Place. The 2d Cavalry Squadron, under Maj. Rafferty, escorted the Lieutenant General to the reviewing stand. The Light Batteries of the 2d and 4th Artillery formed on the curve toward the station and fired a salute of 15 guns upon Gen. Schofield's arrival. A reviewing stand, tastily draped with the National colors, had been erected at the head of Forsyth Place, in front of the quarters of the commanding officer, Col. Abraham K. Arnold.

Colonel Arnold and Adjutant William S. Scott met the party at the train and escorted them from the special car to the reviewing stand. Those occupying the stand during the review were: Lieut. Gen. Schofield, his Aide, Lieut. Col. Chas. B. Schofield, his military secretary, Lieut. Col. Joseph P. Sanger, his son, William Schofield, Esq.; Mrs. Schofield and her sister, Miss Kilbourne; Capt. John Pitcher, 1st Cav., from Fort Bayard, N. Mex.; Head of the Garrison, Col. Arnold, Lieut. Scott, Maj. Turrill and Mrs. Randolph, Mrs. Viele and Mrs. Rafferty. The cavalry, preceded by Lieut. Col. Louis H. Carpenter, 7th Cav., commanding the Cavalry Sub-school, and Adj. Lieut. Tyree R. Rivers, 3d Cav., and the artillery, preceded by Maj. Wallace F. Randolph, 3d Art., commanding the Artillery Sub-school, and Adj. Ed. D. Hoyle, 2d Art.; the Hospital Corps, with Red Cross Ambulance, under Asst. Surg. T. U. Raymond, then marched in review.

The band was stationed on the lawn in front of Col. Arnold's quarters, and as the battalion came down the avenue, colors flying, yellow and red plumes dancing in the breeze, the horses keeping step to the inspiring march, it formed a grand scene, not to be forgotten by those who witnessed it. Owing to the fact that Mrs. Arnold is in deep mourning, the pleasure of entertaining fell to the lot of Col. Carpenter.

After the review a dainty informal luncheon was served at Col. Carpenter's to the military party, the staff of the garrison and the personal friends of Gen. and Mrs. Schofield. After that came a garrison reception, also at Col. Carpenter's. Gen. Schofield received on the plaza, between Col. Arnold and Lieut. Scott, who acted as master of ceremonies, while Mrs. Schofield, Miss Kilbourne, Col. and Mrs. Carpenter, received in the drawing-room. At 4 the party was driven to the Riding Hall, where a very interesting drill was given by Troop D, 2d Cavalry, under the command of Capt. Edward J. McClelland. The hall itself is an imposing structure, said to be the second largest in the world. The exercises were frequently applauded, as they certainly deserved to be, the men riding standing with flying girths, leaping hurdles and vaulting at the same time, charging, standing erect in the stirrup and various other movements.

Maj. and Mrs. Randolph entertained at dinner in the evening, Gen. and Mrs. Schofield, Miss Kilbourne, Col. Sanger, Capt. Pitcher and Lieut. Landers, of the Garrison. A hop in the Post Hall followed, which the distinguished visitors and the Garrison attended, and which all seemed to enjoy. The hop room presented a brilliant kaleidoscopic effect, with the chic gowns of the ladies and the dress suits and full dress uniforms of the officers. In the midst of all the gayeties the Lieutenant General took ample time to inspect the Garrison and its works. The trip would seem by no means a sinecure, as Gen. Schofield travels all night so as to be in readiness to inspect the next Post the following day. His private car was attached to the 4 A. M. eastbound train from Riley, whence they went to Leavenworth. It is difficult to realize when one looks at Gen. Schofield that he is to retire September next. The Army will lose one of its most just, efficient and popular Generals when he retires, and one whose record from the beginning of his career to its end has been a series of successes. Let us hope he is not to retire from public life yet awhile.

Mrs. Clark, wife of Lieut. C. C. Clark, 9th Inf., and little daughter Jeanette, left Saturday for Madison Barracks, N. Y., after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Rafferty. Mrs. Viele, wife of Maj. C. D. V. Cole, 1st Cav., left Saturday for two weeks' visit in Kansas City.

Capt. F. K. Ward, 1st Cav., left Riley on Monday last.

## NEW MILITARY CADETS APPOINTED.

Washington, June 6.—Cadet appointments to the West Point Military Academy have been made as follows:

Illinois—William M. Swatek, Chicago, with F. S. Catlin, of Chicago, alternate; J. W. Riddle, of Princeton, with F. R. Brown, of Cornell, alternate; D. C. Gilman, Canton, with H. N. Snyder, of Canton, alternate.

## THE STREET CLEANING DEPARTMENT.

(From the "Financial Review.")

It is a most commendable fact that the new Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner was named by Col. Waring solely on his own merits and as a recognition of his services in another capacity. The resignation of Maj. Moore having been accepted, the appointment of Capt. Francis M. Gibson to the position is announced and is received in favor in all departments of the municipal government. The Captain made for himself an excellent record as Assistant Superintendent. He is a retired officer of the Regular Army; he was a 1st Lieutenant in the 7th Cavalry when Gen. Custer's command was annihilated by Sitting Bull, in the battle of the Little Big Horn, in June, 1876. He was retired from the Army with the rank of Captain in December, 1891. He did not in any way seek the office of Deputy Commissioner and was considerably surprised when notified of his appointment. It is understood that the Commissioner had no other purpose in view than to reward the constant and efficient service he has rendered, and it is the general verdict that he has acted wisely. Col. Waring secures in this manner an assistant who will be able to remove much of the work from his shoulders, for he has the necessary qualifications coupled with a long experience. Capt. Gibson is to be congratulated upon this demonstration of the satisfaction he has given, but he has amply deserved any honor of this nature which might be bestowed upon him. He is an earnest, faithful worker and a conscientious official, standing well not alone with his superiors, but being respected and esteemed in the social world. This move was in the line of reform, as are all promotions on merit.

## FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH.

Lieut. L. S. Sorley is absent on leave.

Lieut. O. P. George Adj., 16th Inf., who previous to his appointment as Adjutant discharged the duties of Post Exchange Officer, was formally relieved of the latter office on June 1. Lieut. Newton has been appointed Post Exchange Officer to succeed Lieut. George.

The Decoration Day ceremonies observed at this post were in full harmony with the spirit of the day. At 11 o'clock the troops, in full dress, were formed in regimental formation and paraded in review. At 11:30 a delegation from the various G. A. R. posts from Salt Lake City arrived at the reservation, accompanied by Bat. A and Troop C, U. N. G. The 16th were drawn up on the main road and as the veterans advanced formed in column of fours and began the march to the post cemetery, where Gen. P. E. Connor and several of the 2d and 3d California Volunteers were sleeping. Upon the arrival at the cemetery the regulars presented arms and the 16th Infantry band played a dead march while the G. A. R. representatives, with uncrowned heads, entered the cemetery enclosure. The floral tributes, which were very numerous, were distributed by the non-commissioned officers and veterans. The battery fired a volley of three rounds, and Chaplain Lowell then proceeded to deliver a stirring and patriotic oration. The ceremonies concluded with the march back to the post. During the earlier

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**JAPAN'S NAVAL FUTURE.**

There seems to be a somewhat unreasonable apprehension abroad as to the future naval policy of Japan. Some writers, and among them Col. Maurice, are alarmed at the idea that the Chinese ships captured at Wei-Hai-Wei will remain with Japan; but the truth is that the surviving ships of the Chinese fleet are lame ducks, and will not add anything to the Japanese forces that need affright us. That Japan will yet take a high place among naval powers is certain, but we see no grounds for apprehension in this. The opinion of Capt. Inglis upon the matter is worthy of great attention. "Knowing what I do of the Japanese Navy," he says, "I think one of the lessons of the war to them will be the advantage they have had in being supreme at sea. The Japanese have hitherto been an essentially military nation, and the Navy, although most excellent, has not appealed to the military instincts of the country as the Army has done. It will now, however, be found that China, being conquered, the only thing the Japanese have to fear is a concentration of foreign navies, and I think that they will do everything in their power to make themselves as strong as possible at sea, and thus free from the fear of foreign dictation." For our part, we see no reason to think that the interests of the British Empire will clash with those of Japan. At least, we are indisposed to dwell upon such a vague possibility. "Nor France, an Indo-Chinese Power, nor Great Britain, nor Germany," exclaims the "Débats," "can see without apprehension Japan a maritime Power and exclusive master of the routes leading to China. In short—and this is one of the most interesting aspects of the question, for in it, perhaps, we may perceive the true meaning of the treaty of alliance which has been spoken of between China and Japan—could Europe permit Japan to reserve to herself exclusively the profits accruing from the economic consequences of the war? We have already seen treaty revisions imposed by agreement among the Great Powers." It is, however, unlikely, we think, that Japan will seek to impose such terms as will involve the intervention of Europe. She is reputed to be showing moderation, and this is her best policy for herself and for the peace of the world.—Army and Navy Gazette.

Admiral Meade put a very natural query to the Navy Department during the past week. In a brief communication he asked the reasons for the revocation of his permission to go abroad. In answer to this inquiry the Department informed the Admiral that it had taken this action in order that it might make an investigation into the interview credited to him and published in a New York paper. The Department did not volunteer any statement concerning its action on a second request to go abroad. There is little doubt, however, that if preferred it would be granted.

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The Bureau of Construction and Repair has communicated with shipbuilders on the Gulf Coast, the Mississippi River and the Pacific Slope, asking if they have any intention of bidding on the proposed torpedo boats. Under the act providing for these vessels, one of the boats will have to be built in each of the localities named. There are only two firms on the Gulf, with which the Department communicated on the subject. These are the Johnson Iron Works, of New Orleans, La., and Moore & Co., of Mobile, Ala. Neither of these firms has done any shipbuilding work for the Navy. The Dubuque Iron Works, on the Mississippi River, which built the Ericsson, is the only firm on the waterway which the Department has asked to bid on the new boats. Seven firms on the Pacific Coast have been asked if it is their intention to submit bids. Under a proviso in the act authorizing the construction of these boats, it is stated that in case they cannot be built at a fair price in any of the localities specifically mentioned, they may be constructed elsewhere. The sum of \$175,000 is appropriated for each of the vessels, but \$25,000 of this amount will be needed for the purchase of each of the vessel's armaments, and the limit of cost will, therefore, be \$150,000. In view of the low bids received on the other torpedo boats, it is expected that equally low bids will be made upon the proposed vessels. Before awarding contracts to any firms, it is the intention of Secretary Herbert to appoint boards to investigate their ability to build the ships. It is the expectation of naval officials that this will result in preventing the construction of boats by firms unable to do so within the time limit of the contract.

A correspondent of the Kansas City "Times" suggests the following with a view to place the graduate from the U. S. Military Academy and the enlisted man rising from the ranks on about the same footing in point of education: "After the enlisted candidate shall have spent the requisite two years in the service, allow him to appear before an examining board, corresponding to the present preliminary board, which shall determine his fitness for promotion, mentally, morally and physically, and upon his demonstrating the fact that he possesses the necessary qualifications, allow him to pursue a two years' course with the rank of candidate for promotion at the Infantry and Cavalry school at Fort Leavenworth, attaching him to one of the troops or companies at that Post for rations, etc., and upon the completion of this course, in the event of his having conducted himself in a proper manner, and having proved that he is qualified to occupy the office he covets and for which he has been willing to work, appoint him to fill any existing vacancy." Certainly one man should not be permitted to attain the status of an officer by two years' experience, when four years are required of others.

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## MAXIM GUNS.

In an interview reported in the N. Y. "Sun," Hiram Maxim said: "Do you think that the improvements in ordnance really contribute materially to lessen the prospect of War?"

"Well, yes, but still you must remember that the most deadly instrument as far as actual War is concerned was the Roman short two-edged sword. It was then necessary for the armies to come very close together in order to injure each other at all. To be defeated meant to be vanquished. But with modern warfare, where we are able to kill a man three miles away, they simply keep further apart; that's all there is about it. But if by any chance they should get very near each other, there would be great slaughter. In a modern man-of-war, with guns and machinery worked by steam, the men that are the best stokers, that understand machinery best, and those who are the least liable to become excited in action, will be the ones who will win the fight, everything else being equal. It is not a question of bravery, nor one of boarding ship with cutlasses in their hands; it is simply a question now of manipulating machinery. The machinery does the fighting."

"When the first automatic gun was made, and it became known that it would really load and fire itself, the German Government asked me to make one which could be regulated to fire all the way from one to 600 shots a minute. The idea was that such a gun could be mounted in a certain place, charged with, say, 2,000 or 3,000 rounds and set to fire 100 shots a minute, for instance, and that the gun would continue to fire even if the men were killed or ran away. This was proposed to use in fortification or to fire on earthworks at night, the gun being aimed in the daytime and arranged to continue firing all night if necessary. I sent one of these guns to Germany. It was loaded with a belt of 333 cartridges, aimed at the target and the trigger pulled, it being regulated to fire at its highest speed. The cartridges all went off in about half a minute. Then a detachment examined the target and counted the hits. As they were descending from the target and removing the ladders, the officer in charge of the gun placed another belt in position, when the gun instantly commenced to fire and the men dropped their ladders and scattered in all directions. The whole belt went through the gun before any one could think what was necessary to be done to stop it. Another gun was ordered also having a regulator, and so arranged that when the last shot was fired the trigger became detached. But there was more machinery in the regulator than in all the rest of the gun, and only two such guns were made. At present the guns have no regulators."

A number of tests of the Maxim rapid-firing single-barreled machine Infantry rifle were made at the United States Proving Grounds June 8 in the presence of several members of the Ordnance Board and Army officers from Washington. The gun is for Infantry use and may readily be carried on the back. Its calibre is .303, and the cartridges are 28-10 inches in length. Smokeless powder is used, and the velocity is 1,850 feet per second. The range is 3,200 yards. Those present at the experiments were Major F. H. Phipps and Capt. Frank Heath, of the Ordnance Board, Capt. G. S. Smith, of the Ordnance Office at Washington, Lieut. W. S. Pierce, and Lieut. C. L'IL Ruggles.

Fifty rounds were fired in 5 1/2 seconds, and the gun was taken from the knapsack, placed in position and fifty rounds fired in 57/8 seconds. The expert, Mr. Huber, fired a shot, removed the gun barrel, inserted another barrel from the knapsack, loaded, and fired another shot within 1 minute 12 2/5 seconds. He also showed how blank and defective cartridges can be removed from the gun while in rapid action.

The Judge Advocate General of the Navy is now drawing up a contract to be signed by Secretary Herbert and Mr. Lee, the inventor of the arm, which has been adopted for the Navy, whereby the Government will secure the right for \$20,000 to manufacture as many of the weapons as it pleases. It is expected that the document will be completed sometime next week, and it will then be sent to Mr. Lee for his signature, and on its return will be signed by Secretary Herbert.

When the contract has been signed, it is the intention of Capt. Sampson to ask several well known manufacturers to submit proposals for manufacturing 10,000 of the arms. The Navy has no manufactory like the Springfield Arsenal, for the Army for turning out these weapons and it will, therefore, have to depend on private enterprise to build them. Even after the contract for the manufacture of the arms has been placed it is expected by the ordnance officials that there will be some delay on the part of the contractor in obtaining the tools necessary to turn out the arm. While it is impossible to set any date when the arms will be furnished to the service, it is believed that the service will be completely supplied some time next year. There will be no difficulty in obtaining ammunition for the weapons. Contract for these cartridges to be supplied in the clips for the arms, will be placed with well known cartridge manufacturers.

Some difficulty it is expected will be encountered in finding a way in which to dull the bright glare of aluminum. This metal is to be used very considerably in the accoutrements resulting from the adoption of the new arm. Although the Board on Small Arms recommended that the aluminum be colored black, it is said by ordnance officials that this is not necessary, and that the simple dulling of the "shine" will be all that is necessary. This, it is thought, will be accomplished by forming an alloy with aluminum. A bayonet scabbard of the light metal covered with a black varnish was received at the Department during the week, but upon scratching it was found that it peeled off and revealed the bright color of the metal. The Army found after considerable experimenting that a suitable blackening material could not be found, and returned, in the scabbard at least, to steel. Naval officers, however, believe they will be able to surmount this difficulty.

The "snowbirds" of the Army are fast returning to civil life. Tempted by revived prosperity, they are leaving the service in which they passed a pleasant winter, and if they fail to get out by fair means, they desert. Desertions are rare, however, and it is customary for a certain percentage of the men who enlist every fall to desert the next spring or early summer. Aside from these "snowbirds" there are a large number of desertions and discharges, which are also placed to the credit of better times. A record of the discharges for this year up to June 1 shows that in January 109 men were honorably discharged; February, 88; March, 131; April, 108, and in May, 130; in all 566. The fact that this is more than 100 less than were discharged last year, is taken as an indication that, although times may be more prosperous, the Army has become more attractive to the civilian, and the soldier who enters it generally desires to remain. The discharges in the corresponding months of 1894 were for January, 100; February, 91; March, 153; April, 137, and May, 192; in all 673. The War Department is very much encouraged by the decrease in the number of discharges. It is believed that the returns for the remaining months of the year will show equally good averages. There were more desertions for the first four months of the present year, however, than there were for the corresponding period of 1894. The desertions for January, February, March and April, for 1894, aggregated 209; for 1895 they numbered 278, or 69 more. The only way probably by which these deserters will be captured will be when they appear for re-enlistment, when the cards sent in to the War Department by the recruiting officers will be compared with others on file. The card system is highly thought of at the War Department, as it has been found to operate very successfully in detecting deserters attempting to enlist in the Army under assumed names. No difficulty is being experienced in finding recruits to fill the vacancies resulting from discharges and desertions. As was stated in the Journal, the enlistment of men at posts has been found to work so well that Secretary Lamont is considering the idea of abolishing all the recruiting stations.

In his answers to interrogatories, concerning officers who served under him, Adm. Meade, retired, is making some caustic comments, which will cause those affected some trouble in securing their promotions. These answers only came in to the Department during the past week, and since their receipt the authorities have been busily engaged in informing the officers whom the Admiral reflects upon, of his statements and asking for explanations. Capt. Sumner, commanding the Columbia, is understood to be one of the officers most severely criticised by the Admiral. During the cruise of the North American Squadron in the West Indies, Adm. Meade and Capt. Sumner are understood to have had some trouble. The Department recently sent interrogatories concerning Capt. Sumner to the Admiral, and answers to them have been returned. It is the intention of the authorities to inform Capt. Sumner of Adm. Meade's criticisms, and it is possible that he may demand a court of inquiry on them. There is some talk of the Department taking steps whereby the Admiral's reflections upon officers concerned will not seriously endanger their chance of passing their examinations for promotion when they are before the Examining Board. While admitting Adm. Meade's right to criticise the officers under him, the authorities say that in view of the way he has acted he should not have made such severe reflections on his subordinates. It has been suggested that Secretary Herbert might write letters to the officers reflected upon in such a way as to offset the Admiral's criticisms. It is not believed, however, that the Secretary would decide to do this.

Lieut. Gen. Schofield's last official inspection tour, still in progress, is marked by unusual attention and honors, civil as well as military. Between May 27 and June 3 he was at Forts Bayard and Wingate, where lavish hospitality was extended to the party, troops reviewed, etc. At Fort Riley, on June 4, there was a grand review of Cavalry and Artillery. Col. and Mrs. Carpenter gave a handsome luncheon and afterwards a reception, at which all the officers and ladies of the post were present. Capt. McClelland's Troop drilled in the riding hall at 4 p. m., and in the evening Gen. and Mrs. Schofield, Miss Kilbourne, Col. Sanger and Capt. Pitcher were entertained at dinner by Major Randolph, who was formerly Inspector of Artillery Division of the Atlantic on the General's staff. After dinner the party attended a hop given in their honor. Fort Leavenworth was next visited, June 5, where the General and the ladies were guests of Col. Hawkins. A visit to the Infantry and Cavalry School, where the examinations were in progress, a reception, a review and a hop at Pope Hall filled in a busy day. Omaha was the next objective point, and Fort Omaha rendered similar attentions and honors as at the posts already visited, and in the afternoon, at the Omaha Club, the citizens paid their respects to the Lieutenant General. Other attentions followed, and in the evening the party left for Fort Niobrara.

But few retired Army officers have taken advantage of the law passed by the last Congress permitting their detail as professors of military science, etc., at universities and colleges throughout the United States. A glance at the list of details shows that only five retired officers are engaged in college work. These are: Lieut. W. A. Dinwidde, on duty at the Iowa State Normal School; Lieut. A. T. Abbott, stationed at Bishop Seabury Mission, Faribault, Minn.; Capt. E. C. Bowen, at St. Paul School, Garden City, N. Y.; Lieut. W. R. Danton at the Ohio Military Institute, Cincinnati, and Capt. W. A. Kimball, at Bishop Scott Academy, Portland, Me. In many instances colleges are glad to obtain the services of a retired officer who is thoroughly fitted to teach the scholars a soldier's duties. Secretary Lamont encourages the detail of retired officers to duty of this character on account of his desire to have as many officers as possible with their regiments. On the other hand, Army officers on the active list generally like the service, as it gives them an opportunity to educate their children and in other ways benefit them. There are now on file at the Department about 15 requests from retired officers for duty at colleges, but they will only be granted upon the applications of institutions in which they are particularly named.

In the future no tan shoes, colored neckties or civilian dress can be worn by officers on duty at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. So says Commo. Sicard, the commandant, in Navy Yard Order 24, which is as follows:

1. Officers attached to the yard are required to wear service dress uniform during office hours.

2. Either white blouse or trousers, or both, may be worn during warm weather.

3. White cap covers may be worn with blue service dress uniform, and also with any white uniform.

4. The wearing of articles of dress not in accordance with the uniform regulations, especially tan-colored shoes and highly colored neckties, is strictly prohibited.

Some officers doing office work have been in the habit of wearing a light civilian coat, and sometimes civilian trousers. In colored neckties "red" seems to have been the favorite with the younger men. No special objection is made to the order so far as concerns colored neckties, but some of the officers appear to draw the line at tan shoes.

Carrier pigeons will be experimented with by the Navy with view to their adoption in the service. Secretary Herbert, it is understood, has under consideration the advisability of requesting Congress to make a small appropriation for the purchase of these birds. Some few experiments have already been made with the pigeons with satisfactory results. On Saturday last, a bird flew into the Washington Navy Yard from Annapolis with a message for the Secretary.

The course of international law at the Naval War College involves the solution by the students of various intricate questions which, though hypothetical in this instance, may at any moment become of vital international importance. The statement of the several cases supposed shows how much ability, intelligence, study, experience and good sense are required to make the successful naval officer.

"Many non-commissioned staff officers," says the Kansas "Times," "are of opinion they should not be required to attend muster, so long as they forward a monthly personal report." We find difficulty in crediting the assertion, as these non-commissioned staff officers are mostly men of experience with a just knowledge of what is due to the service as well as to themselves.

G. O. 446, N. D., May 22, 1895, establishes a system nomenclature for steel vessels of the U. S. Navy, that for wooden and sailing vessels remaining unchanged. The decks are: Main, forecastle, poop, upper quarter, bridge, berth, gun, lower, orlop, platform (upper and lower), protection (middle, forward or after), water-tight and splinter. The bridges are: Forward, after, upper, lower, fore and aft.

## THE NAVY.

H. A. HERBERT, Secretary. WM. MCADOO, Asst. Sec'y

PACIFIC STATION.—Rear Adm'l. L. A. Beardslee. Address Navy Pay Office, San Francisco.

ASIATIC STATION.—Rear-Admiral C. C. Carpenter. Address all mail Yokohama, Japan.

N. ATLANTIC STATION.—Capt. B. J. Cromwell, senior officer.

EUROPEAN STATION.—Rear Admiral W. A. Kirkland. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, England.

S. ATLANTIC STATION.—Acting Rear-Admiral Chas. S. Norton. Address care B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, England.

## VESSELS OF THE U. S. NAVY IN COMMISSION.

*The letters in parentheses following the name of the commanding officer denote the station or service to which the vessel is assigned.*

ALERT, 4 Guns, Comdr. G. E. Ide (p. s.)

At Panama, May 16. Address mail to Panama. It has been practically decided by the authorities to retire Comdr. Ide.

ALBATROSS (F. C. ves.), Lieut. Comdr. F. J. Drake (s. d.) En route for Bering Sea to pursue her investigations regarding the fishing grounds and the habits of the seal. Address mail to care of Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

ALLIANCE, 7 Guns, Comdr. J. McGowan. Training ship. On her annual cruise. Sailed from Havre, June 12, for Gibraltar. Mail to be sent care of B. F. Stevens, No. 4 Trafalgar Square, London, England, until steamer sailing from New York July 4; after that date to Yorktown, Va., until Sept. 8, and then to Newport, R. I.

AMPHITRITE, 6 guns, Capt. W. C. Wise. At Fort Monroe June 12. Will be inspected June 18.

ATLANTA, 10 Guns, Capt. B. J. Cromwell (n. a. s.) En route to New York to participate in the ceremony June 17 incident to the opening of the Harlem Canal on June 17. Was at New London June 13.

BALTIMORE, 10 Guns (Flagship), Capt. B. F. Day (a. s.) At Tiogo, Japan, June 8.

BANCROFT, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. William T. Swinburne. Cadet Practice vessel at Annapolis, Md. Will leave next week with engineer class on board on her annual cruise.

BENNINGTON, 6 Guns, Comdr. C. M. Thomas (p. s.) Sailed May 29 from Mare Island, Cal., for Honolulu. Address mail care of Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. Comdr. G. W. Pigman ordered to command.

CASTINE, 8 Guns, Comdr. Thomas Perry (a. a. s.) At Comoro, Madagascar. Address care B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, England.

CHARLESTON, 8 Guns, Capt. George W. Coffin (a. s.) At Nagasaki.

CINCINNATI, 11 Guns, Capt. Henry Glass (n. a. s.) At Navy Yard, New York. Will fire a salute at opening of Harlem Ship Canal June 17.

COLUMBIA, 11 Guns, Capt. George W. Sumner (e.s.) Left Copenhagen, June 14 for Kiel.

CONCORD, 6 Guns, Comdr. J. E. Craig (a. s.) At Nagasaki May 22.

CONSTELLATION, Comdr. F. W. Dickins (Training-ship.) Newport, R. I.

CUSHING (Torpedo boat), Lieut. F. F. Fletcher (s. d.) At Norfolk. Was to go to Newport June 15.

DETROIT, 10 Guns, Comdr. John S. Newell (a. s.) At Chemulpo, May 30.

DOLPHIN (Desp. boat), Lieut. B. H. Buckingham (s. d.) At Washington June 10.

ENTERPRISE, 6 Guns, Comdr. J. F. Merry (School-ship.) At Boston, Mass.

ESSEX, 6 Guns, Comdr. Louis Kingsley (Training-ship.) Passed out of the Capes of Delaware June 11 en route to New York, and arrived June 13.

FERN (Desp. boat), Lieut. Comdr. G. A. Bicknell (s. d.) Left Washington, D. C., June 13 for New York.

FRANKLIN, 30 Guns, Capt. M. L. Johnson (Receiving-ship.) Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.

INDEPENDENCE, Capt. F. Wilder (Receiving-ship.) At Mare Island, Cal.

MACHIAS, 8 Guns, Comdr. Edw. S. Houston (a. s.) Left Chefoo for Port Arthur June 6.

MARBLEHEAD, 10 Guns, Comdr. Chas. O'Neil (e. s.) At Hamburg June 10.

MICHIGAN, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. B. S. Richards (s.d.) At Cleveland, Ohio, where mail should be addressed.

MINNEAPOLIS, 11 Guns, Capt. G. H. Wadleigh (n. a. s.) At Norfolk, Va.

MINNESOTA, 10 Guns, Capt. H. F. Picking (Receiving-ship.) At dock foot of West 50th St., New York City. P. O. Station G, New York.

MOHICAN, 4 Guns, Comdr. D. W. Mullan (p. s.) Left Seattle June 11 on a cruise to test coal. Was at Vancouver June 13.

MONOCACY, 6 Guns, Comdr. R. E. Impey (a. s.) At Tien-Tsin, China.

MONONGAHELA, 6 guns (a. a. s.) Cadet Practice vessel. Comdr. W. H. Brownson. Left Funchal, Madeira. Address mail care U. S. Consul, Funchal, Madeira. Will go to Madeira and Bermuda, and will return in time for exercises in Long Island Sound during the latter part of the summer. Will be at Annapolis Sept. 1.

MONTEREY, 4 Guns, Capt. F. J. Higginson (p. s.) At Callao, Peru, May 30. Will cruise along coast and return to Mare Island the latter part of the summer.

MONTGOMERY, 10 Guns, Comdr. Chas. H. Davis (n. a. s.) At Greytown, Nicaragua.

NEWARK, 18 Guns (Flagship), Capt. Yates Stirling, (s. a. s.) At Montevideo.

NEW YORK, 18 Guns, Capt. Robley D. Evans, e. s.) Left Copenhagen June 14 for Kiel.

OLYMPIA, 14 Guns, Capt. J. J. Read (p. s.) Left San Francisco June 13 for Santa Cruz, Cal.

PETREL, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Emory (a. s.) At Shanghai May 20.

PHILADELPHIA, 12 Guns (Flagship), Capt. C. S. Cotton (p. s.) At Honolulu. Will return to Mare Island, Cal., when relieved by the Bennington. Address mail to Mare Island.

PINTA, 4 Howitzers, Lieut. Comdr. A. R. Couden (a. d.) At Sitka, Alaska.

RALEIGH, 11 Guns, Capt. Merrill Miller (n. a. s.) Sailed from New York June 13 for Key West, Fla., to take up patrol duty on the Florida and Gulf coasts, in the endeavor to prevent Cuban filibustering expeditions.

RANGER, 4 Guns, Comdr. E. W. Watson (p. s.) At Guayaquil, to protect American interests. Address mail to Panama, care U. S. Consul.

RICHMOND, Capt. A. S. Crownshield, (Receiving-ship.) At League Island, Pa.

ST. MARY'S, 8 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. W. L. Field. Public Marine School, New York. Sailed from New London Conn., June 6 for St. Michael's, in the Azores.

SAN FRANCISCO, 12 Guns, Capt. E. M. Shepard (e. s.) Left Copenhagen June 14 for Kiel.

SARATOGA, Comdr. E. T. Strong (Penn. School-ship). Sailed from Philadelphia June 6 on a cruise. Address until Aug. 31, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London; after Aug. 31 to Philadelphia. Will return to U. S. not later than Oct. 25. Her itinerary includes Fayal, Southampton, Havre, Plymouth, Lisbon, Cadiz and Funchal.

THETIS, 2 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. H. Knox (s. d.) At Mare Island.

VERMONT, 1 Gun, Capt. Silas Casey (Receiving-ship.) At New York Navy Yard.

WABASH, 20 Guns, Capt. A. Kautz (Receiving-ship.) At Boston, Mass.

YANTIC, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. S. M. Ackley (a. a. s.) At Montevideo, Uruguay.

YORKTOWN, 6 Guns, Comdr. W. M. Folger (a. a. s.) At Nagasaki May 22.

## NAVY GAZETTE.

JUNE 7.—Ensign V. Blue, from the Thetis, June 25, and ordered to the Bennington per steamer of June 27.

JUNE 8.—Comdr. C. S. Sperry, detached from the Bureau of Ordnance July 1, and ordered to duty as ordnance officer at the Navy Yard, New York.

Comdr. Horace Elmer, detached from duty at the New York Navy Yard, and placed on waiting orders.

Comdr. Oscar F. Heyerman ordered before a Retiring Board, June 11.

Lieut. Comdr. R. E. Carmody placed on the retired list, June 8.

Lieuts. J. K. Cogswell, Perry Garst and C. C. Marsh ordered to examination for promotion, June 12.

Naval Cadet S. F. Smith, detached from the Naval Academy, and ordered to instruction in architecture at Paris.

Medical Director A. C. Gorgas placed on the retired list, June 8.

Medical Director A. A. Hoehling ordered before a Retiring Board, June 11.

JUNE 9.—Sunday.

JUNE 10.—Lieut. Comdr. H. G. O. Colby has been detached from duty as assistant to the Inspector of the Second Lighthouse District, Boston, June 29, and ordered to the Coast Survey.

Ensign Clarence S. Williams, Ensign C. M. Knepper, and Surg. J. A. Hawke have been ordered to examination for promotion on the Asiatic Station.

Lieut. G. W. Menz has been detached from the Coast Survey and ordered home, and will take a three months' leave.

Lieut. F. J. Haeseler has been detached from the Naval Academy, June 22, and ordered to the Amphitrite, June 24.

Lieut. R. H. Galt has been detached from the Minneapolis and will take three months' leave.

Asst. Paymr. W. P. Brawley has been ordered to the Minnesota.

JUNE 11.—Lieut. Comdr. W. L. Moore, ordered to duty at the Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N. H., June 22.

Lieut. J. B. Collins, ordered to duty in charge of the Branch Hydrographic Office, at New Orleans, June 17.

June 12.—Lieut. Comdr. R. T. Jasper, ordered to duty as Executive Officer of the receiving ship Franklin, July 9.

Lieut. A. P. Osborn, detached from the Franklin, July 9, and ordered to duty in command of the Coast Survey steamer Gedney.

Lieut. Lucien Flynn, detached from the Gedney, home, three months' leave.

Lieut. Charles N. Atwater, detached from the Naval Academy, July 1, and ordered to the Mohican, July 15.

Lieut. William G. Cutler, from the Mohican, July 15, ordered home, and granted three months' leave.

Ensign George Mallison, detached from the Olympia, and ordered to continue for treatment at the Mare Island Hospital.

Ensign Claude Bailey, detached from the Amphitrite, July 1, and granted three months' leave.

JUNE 13.—Comdr. J. M. Forsyth, detached from the Naval Home, Philadelphia, and ordered to command the monitors, Richmond, Va.

Comdr. George W. Pigman, detached from the monitors, and ordered to command the gunboat Bennington.

Comdr. Charles M. Thomas, detached from the Bennington, and granted two months' leave.

Lieut. William L. Chambers, detached from steel inspection duty, and ordered to the Minneapolis.

Passed Asst. Engr. W. H. Chambers, detached from the Columbian Iron Works, and granted three months' leave.

JUNE 14.—Lieut. A. G. Winterhalter detached from the Bureau of Equipment July 15 and ordered to the Bennington per steamer of July 25.

Ensign C. D. Stearns from the Thetis July 23 to the Bennington per steamer of July 25.

Ensigns C. B. McVay and H. J. Ziegelmeyer from the Bennington about Aug. 1, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Mate Samuel Gee ordered before a retiring board on June 19.

## REVENUE CUTTER SERVICE.

The following officers were commissioned to be 2d Lieutenants in the Revenue Cutter Service, June 6: F. A. Lewis, A. R. Hassen, S. B. Winram, Jr., C. A. Craig, Jas. G. Ballinger, C. E. Johnston, C. S. Cochran, E. V. D. Johnson, S. P. Edmonds, John G. Berry.

To be Chief Engineers: F. B. Randall, H. C. Whitworth, W. J. Phillips, D. Mc. French, Chas. W. Munroe, F. E. Owens.

To be 1st Assistant Engineers: C. D. F. Bowen, J. B. Coyle, George B. Maher and C. A. McAllister.

Capt. O. C. Hamlet has been detached from special duty and ordered to the Chase.

2d Lieut. John L. Davis, directed to report for examination for retirement.

Cadet Jas. C. Hooker, to the Fessenden for instruction; 2d Lieut. F. J. Haake, from the Galveston to the McLane; re-signation of 1st Asst. Engr. R. W. Champlain has been ac-cepted, to take effect from June 8.

The McLane will sail in a few days from Mobile for Key West.

The revenue cutter Guthrie will undergo official trial in Chesapeake Bay on June 17. It will be conducted by Engineer in Chief J. W. Collins, 1st Asst. Engr. C. A. McAllister and 2d Asst. Engr. C. M. Green will assist in taking data.

Chief Engr. J. Eugene Jeffries is on duty at the Treasury Department, as a member of the Examining Board. He is expecting orders to go to sea.

2d Asst. Engrs. C. M. Green, L. T. Jones and C. W. Zastrow have been recommended to the President for promotion.

Par. 868, Regulations U. S. Revenue Cutter Service, is amended as follows, to take effect on and after July 1 next, viz.:

Lieut. Col. Guy V. Henry, 5th Cavalry, has been detailed to attend encampment of New York National Guard at Peekskill, N. Y.

## ENGLISH OPINION OF MR. HOBSON'S VIEWS

The London "Army and Navy Gazette" says:

"The singularly interesting paper of Mr. R. P. Hobson, Assistant Naval Constructor, U. S. N., to which we referred last week, depends for its force largely upon the political considerations it advances. To these our space did not permit us to refer. Mr. Hobson sees the restless ambition of Russia and France combined, seizing the favorable moment of the anticipated ebb in our naval preparations, to crush us by a decisive blow, as a preparatory step to attacking the Central Powers. Meanwhile he thinks it probable that the Triple Alliance will stand by to witness the preliminary step to its downfall. It is indeed possible that shortsighted statesmanship might cause the members of the Alliance, moved by commercial or colonial jealousy, to assume a neutral attitude in that moment of supreme danger, the years of 1896-97, but the want of absolute certainty as to their neutrality would probably weigh heavily upon the warlike counsels of France and Russia. Moreover, we do not think that such a war-breathing disparity is likely to arise between our present situation and that which will exist in 1896-97. Mr. Hobson credits us with recently been put afloat, but believes we cannot hope for the Magnificent and Majestic until too late, namely, at the end of 1897. Yet these two vessels were floated out of dock, respectively, in 1894 and early in 1895, after being advanced more rapidly than any preceding battle ships, and are being carried on with equal vigor, while the Prince George and Victorious are to be launched during the summer. Mr. Hobson sees France in a very advantageous situation by the years of danger. But he is too hasty in giving her the Massena, which is not promised until March, 1897, and the Bouvet will certainly not be ready, for she is not to be completed until the end of that year. In fact, looking at French battle ship construction, we find no evidence of an extraordinary endeavor to catch us at the moment of sharp decline. The ships in hand are part of a policy which is to give France the Charlemagne and St. Louis in 1898, and the Gaulois at a later date unknown; and the Henri Quatre, which might have been completed in 1896, has been abandoned. Nor do we see any probability of Russia being in that state of readiness which Mr. Hobson anticipates."

## THE NAVAL WAR OF 1812.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Gazette:

Sir: I see that my letter, which appeared in your issue of March 23, has been fortunate enough to draw from Adm'l. Sir Vesey Hamilton the interesting communication he makes in this week's issue, referring to the single-ship actions in the war of 1812 detailed in "Harper's Weekly." As yet no mention has been made of the fight between the Shannon and Chesapeake, but I have no doubt it will appear in due time. The capture of the Essex and President would not come within the scope of the articles, as these vessels were taken by a superior force. Some years ago, when a boy, I often had talks with an old R. N. captain who was a lieutenant on board the Iphigenia, one of the frigates present at the capture of the President. His opinion was that we were beaten by the heavier guns of the Americans. I remember in one of our conversations, he told me he was serving on board the Pique frigate, when in the Mona Passage they fell in with a vessel supposed to be the Constitution. The crew were eager to engage, when the captain (afterwards the Earl of Lauderdale) pulled out of his pocket an Admiralty order forbidding 18-gun frigates to engage those of the enemy armed with 24-pounders. The crew came aft, and with tears in their eyes demanded to be laid alongside the American frigate. I remember my old friend's words, "Why bless you!" he said, "they would never have allowed us to get alongside, but knocked us to pieces from a distance." What brought the question vividly before me was that just after reading one of our frigates, I happened to take up a paper lying on the library table, in which was compared the weight of broadsides thrown by the Talbot, one of our cruisers just launched, and that of the Olympia, an American cruiser of about the same displacement and horsepower, much to the advantage of the latter. Why, I thought to myself, if we went to war with the Americans the same thing would happen again. We should be beaten by the heavier guns of our opponent. We may be sure the Americans are too "cute" to put unmanageable weapons into their ships.

Chief Naval Constructor Philip Hitchborn contributed an article entitled "Care of Steel Ships" to the "Cassier Magazine." Like other compositions of this officer, it is full of sound sense, and is a valuable addition to what has heretofore been said on this important topic.

When Secretary Herbert returns to Washington from Alabama on Saturday, one of the matters which will engage his attention is the New York Navy Yard scandal, growing out of the alleged violations of the Navy labor regulations. The Department now has on file explanations made by all the chiefs of departments at the yard, with the exception of Naval Constructor Frank L. Fernald, and that is expected this week. These explanations are the result of letters sent to the officers in charge of the departments calling their attention to irregularities in the employment of labor. Should Mr. Fernald fail to make the explanation required, it is probable that he will be detached for ignoring the order of the Secretary of the Navy. It is understood that the explanations, so far received do not at all satisfy the officials of the Department, that the chiefs of the Navy Yard were not to blame for the violations of the regulations in regard to the employment of labor. Ignorance is said to be the principal excuse offered, but it is hardly probable that the Secretary will take this into consideration. It is stated that several court martial trials may result from the alleged abuses, unless the explanations given are considered satisfactory by the authorities.

The Navy is actively co-operating with the Treasury Department in its efforts to prevent filibustering in behalf of the Cuban revolutionists. The cruiser Raleigh is now en route to the Florida Coast, which she will patrol in search of filibustering expeditions. It is believed that after she has been a month or so in Florida water, she will be relieved by the cruiser Cincinnati. The President's proclamation of Wednesday last, warning the citizens of the United States against violations of the neutrality laws, shows that the administration considers this the most important question before it. Such action was necessary, at least in view of the position assumed by us before the Geneva Tribunal. It should become subject to a claim similar to that preferred against England in the Alabama case. Instructions which have been sent to Capt. Miller, of Raleigh, are of the most comprehensive character, and include the sections of the revised statutes specifying what acts are violations of neutrality laws. He is to make Key West his base and from this port enter along the coast, keeping a sharp lookout for filibusters. He has been directed to co-operate with the Treasury Department's representatives in this matter.

There will be an interesting test of a 5½-inch gun representing a group of Carnegie armor for the turn for the 8-inch breech loading rifles of the Iowa and Brooklyn on Saturday next at the Indian Head Proving Ground. A Wheeler-Sterling 13-inch shell, representing a lot of semi-armored piercing projectiles, will also be fired at a 7-inch nickel-steel plate.

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## VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The U. S. Naval Academy Band, on Class Day, June 10, at Princeton College, opened the day's exercises with an open air concert on the front campus.

Of the new vessels now building for the U. S. Navy the percentage of work on June 1 was completed as follows: Maine, 98%; Texas, 97; Indiana and Terror, 96; Katahdin, 95; Massachusetts, 91; Oregon, 90; Puritan, 87; Monadnock, 86; Brooklyn, 51; Gunboats 7, 8 and 9, 42 per cent, and the Iowa, 38 per cent.

Advices received relative to the recent trip of the U. S. Columbia from New York to Southampton, England, are highly complimentary to that vessel. She made on this voyage, it is said, an average speed of 16.4 knots, and increased this rate after entering the English Channel to 20 knots. This trip of the Columbia was made in 8 days and 22 hours, while the New York consumed 10 days in crossing. During the recent voyage only six of the eight boilers of the Columbia were utilized.

Secretary Herbert has given orders to make flagships of the battleship Iowa, under construction at Cramps, and the two proposed battleships. The Board on Construction of the Navy Department is now considering the necessary changes in the Iowa's plans so that flag officers' quarters may be supplied to that vessel, and Chief Naval Constructor Hitchborn is making additions to the plans for the proposed battleships so as to make them conform to the Secretary's orders. It was also the desire of Secretary Herbert to make the battleships of the Indiana class flagships, but upon investigation it was found that under existing conditions it would not be advisable to make alterations. He therefore reluctantly directed that nothing in this direction be done.

At Newport, Capt. Sampson, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, witnessed tests of the Cunningham torpedo and an improved Whitehead torpedo. The Cunningham torpedo is operated by an explosive of rocket composition. Upon being fired for a distance of a couple of thousand yards, it only ran a hundred feet and then buried its nose in the mud. Ordnance experts do not consider that this torpedo will develop any practical value. The improved Whitehead torpedo was fired four times, and gave very fair results. A great deal of secrecy is being observed as to the methods by which the new torpedo is operated. The striking feature of the new torpedo is its simplicity. The torpedo is operated by the same method as heretofore, but the mass of machinery is done away with by the invention of Mr. Leavitt. The invention looks promising and will be experimented with by the authorities. When the torpedo is fired at a ship, the armor plates of the vessel are supposed to attract the torpedo. Further tests with the invention will take place at the torpedo station.

The Marsden corn-pith cellulose, and the cocoa cellulose now in service, underwent comparative tests at the Indian Head Proving Ground on Monday last. In the opinion of naval experts the former easily demonstrated its superiority. Two coffer dams were improvised, each six feet square and three feet thick, one of which was filled with the corn-pith and the other with the cellulose, and were so arranged as to be exposed to water pressure. A 6 and an 8-inch shell were fired through each dam. After a few minutes it was found that water began to trickle through the cocoa dam, the maximum not reaching a half a gallon per minute. The corn-pith cellulose apparently closed up better than the cocoa. No water came through the shot holes. The two materials are now to be tested for durability, etc., and when the competitions are concluded, the authorities will decide whether or not to submit the American product for the French material. The Board, which is conducting the tests, is composed of Naval Constructors Linnard and Taylor, and Asst. Naval Constructor Dashill.

The first-class cruiser Terrible was launched from Messrs. J. & G. Thomson's Yard, at Clydebank, near Glasgow, May 27. She is longer than any previous vessel of her class. The Terrible and her sister ship, the Powerful, now under construction at Barrow, are each 500 feet long between perpendiculars, or 538 feet over all, and 71 feet wide, are designed to have a draft of 27 feet, and to be 14,200 tons each in displacement. Her engines are intended to be of 25,000 horse power, natural draft, and will develop 22 knots per hour. At a luncheon after the launch, Mr. James Thomson, the builder, said the Terrible was a new departure, being built on the lines of large Atlantic liners, and very much after the Paris and New York. The object was speed. In the absence of Sir William White, Chief Constructor of the Navy, Mr. James Dunn, his assistant, said they had that day witnessed the launch of the biggest and most powerful cruiser ever built for any nation. She was fully one hundred feet longer than the largest War ship ever built for the British Navy; she would have a very heavy armament, and would have her engines, guns, and magazines protected by a thick armored deck.

## FORT BLISS, TEXAS.

Col. and Mrs. Parker, accompanied by Lieut. Beall, Regimental Adjutant, left on Wednesday the 5th inst. for a three weeks' visit to the City of Mexico. Capt. Charles Hinton is in temporary command of the post during Col. Parker's absence.

The post band gave a grand concert in the El Paso Opera House Monday the 3d inst. It was quite a success, and the proceeds go to enlarge the fund of the band.

Mr. E. H. Offley, son of the late Col. Offley and Quartermaster's Clerk, has again taken charge of the choir of St. Clement's Church, of which he is a member, and which position he filled before leaving with Capt. Geo. Ruhlen for Detroit more than a year ago. Mr. Offley is a devoted lover of music and a skilled musician and was warmly welcomed back to El Paso, where he has many friends.

Senator Bate, of Texas, who is sojourning in El Paso temporarily for the benefit of his health, visited the post last week to return a call made on him a few days before by Col. Parker and his staff. He was accompanied by Judge Davis, of El Paso. They were courteously shown over the post by Col. Parker, and Senator Bate seemed pleased with all he saw.

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I. Before a G. C. M., convened on board the U. S. S. Yorktown, at Nagasaki, Japan, April 6, 1895, of which Capt. Benjamin F. Day, U. S. N., was president, and Ensign Jay H. Sypher, U. S. N., Judge Advocate, was arraigned and tried Lieut. Thomas H. Stevens, U. S. N. Charge—"Drunkenness." Finding—The Specification, "Not Proved." Of the Charge, "Not guilty." And the court thereupon acquitted the said Lieut. Thomas H. Stevens, U. S. N., of the specification and of the charge.

II. The proceedings, finding and acquittal of the G. C. M. were approved by Rear Adm'l. Charles C. Carpenter, who convened the court.

Lieut. E. V. Bookmiller, 2d Inf., on leave from Fort Omaha, is registered at the United Service Club, New York City.

Lieut. J. M. Stottenburg, 6th Cav., is acting as Adjutant at Fort Myer during the absence on a short leave of Lieut. E. F. Willcox.

Mrs. Handbury, wife of Major S. H. Handbury, C. E., and daughters, have left St. Augustine, Fla., to spend the summer on Long Island.

There is a proposition afoot, when Fort Crook is ready for occupation by troops, to have Fort Omaha converted into a State Training College.

A report comes from Fort Keogh that Capt. J. M. Webster, 22d Inf., by reason of an accidental shooting at Miles City some weeks ago, has been seriously disabled. The ball took effect near the spine, and the Surgeons have been unable to dislodge it.

Last arrivals in New York are: Gen. E. A. Carr, St. Cloud; Lieut. W. A. Bethel, R. P. Davis, Capt. S. S. Leach, Lieut. F. R. Shunk, Grand Hotel; Lieut. V. H. Bridgman, Capt. D. Kingman, Lieut. J. A. Mann, Lieut. E. M. Weaver, Lieut. C. W. Williams, Normandie; Lieut. C. R. Noyes, Murray Hill; Lieut. J. L. Chamberlain, Holland House.

Lieut. Carl Reichmann, 9th Inf., left Fort Leavenworth June 11 for Dansville, N. Y., accompanied by Mrs. Reichmann. Should the health of Mrs. Reichmann permit it, Lieut. Reichmann will leave for his old home in Wurtemberg, Germany, and in a short time thereafter will be joined at Tuebingen by a number of student officers from here to visit the old battlefields.

## WHAT MAKES AN UNHAPPY SHIP.

Complaints that come to us of unhappy ships in our Navy recalls what Surgeon Howard E. Ames, U. S. N., says in a paper read before the Association of Military Surgeons, concerning his experiences:

"I served on a ship (she was painted black), in which the regulations were carried out to the letter, and rules not in the regulations were also carried out. I do not hesitate to say she was perfect in one way 'ataut' from truck to keel. She would have impressed any one not attached to her as a model; her yacht-like appearance, so beautiful in every way, and so comfortably fitted for officers and crews; yet she was an unhappy ship. She was ruled with a rod of steel; the men received no consideration; the officers about the same. Now, what was the trouble? It was all work and no play.

"There were ample hours to afford rest and amusement for Jack, but none was ever indulged in; in fact, they were discouraged. There was no joyous laughter ever heard in her somber hull; there was no innocent skylarking about her decks; no music, either vocal or instrumental, ever broke the stillness of the evening air, either in port or at sea. Liberty was given as seldom as regulations allowed, and it was dearly paid for. The returning liberty-party was scrutinized with tyrannical minuteness, and any shortcoming punished with a promptness and vigor that only the most daring and reckless would face. No pets were seen about the ship belonging to the men; a single cat softly trod about, and he appeared symbolic of her general condition. The daily inspections were superb, so far as bright, clean arms, tidy uniforms, perfect decorum and silence were concerned. Look in the faces of the crew! They were clean, they were intelligent, and a fair type of sailor men, but there was not a single face that bore a soft expression. The compressed lips, the contracted brow, the depressed corners of the mouth and eye, the expanded chest and rigid position of body. The quick, momentary glances that caught your own, all indicated discontent, hatred, unwillingness, depressed spirits, disappointed hopes, suppressed emotion, a fettered manhood. Extra liberty was occasionally given to few in some quiet and out-of-the-way place to fish or walk ashore. But it was seldom requested; too many refusals had been given to encourage further attempts. I have often noticed her beautiful boats, so clean, so graceful, so perfect, hanging in idleness at the davits. They were seldom in the water except for drill. No racing among the crew, no sailing or fishing parties disturbed them. Very seldom visiting parties went from that ship to other ships of our Navy, or from other ships to ours; no library existed for the men, few books belonging to individuals circulated among the crew. No religious service was ever held on board. Were the officers happy? No; they were a discontented lot, or it seemed to me, compared with the happy ship I had left.

"Why was this trouble? you will ask. It was simply a damnable application of a good set of regulations by the usurping of autocratic power of a narrow-minded man, who should have prevented instead of causing such a state; he was unintentionally assisted by the discontented minds of the other officers who, not receiving consideration from their senior, allowed their injured feelings and unhappy state to pass to the grades below, and so it ran through the ship. A little thought on the part of the Captain, a little consideration of his officers, and by them for the men, a knowledge that the Admiral and Jack have equal claims on the Almighty; that they are built the same, have the same organs, feelings, appetites; in fact the same mental attributes, varying only in degree and intensity. In other words, if intelligence had been used and properly applied, the ship could have been made a pleasant one. I firmly believe that the vast majority of what are called unhappy ships are due to the officers, and not men.

"I served on another ship (she was painted white), very similar in build, with the black one. The same regulations controlled her commanding officer, about the same crew and with the same natural conditions, the same drills and requirements were exacted from the men. The same obedience, promptness, and tidiness marked the crew. The only difference that a visitor would have noticed in them would have been in their faces, not in type or character, but the contrast between disappointment and despair, in the faces of the first men, with the contentment and confidence in the faces of the last. This great contrast would have raised the question at once, what is the cause of this marked difference? Let me answer it, it was this: The white hull of the vessel was full of life and energy during recreative hours. The cheerful voices of the men were heard in song vibrating in the evening air either in solo or chorus; natural, hearty peals of laughter would ring out as some joke was perpetrated, or story told; the shuffle of feet were heard keeping time to the music of the volunteer band, as they whirled to the waltz, or other round dance, or tried to jig or break-down; even the ship's dog would give a joyous bark as he received the caress of the men after performing some simple trick he had been taught, the pet minor bird would add to the

pleasure by giving his song; feats of strength or skill in boxing were indulged in; races in boats, either under sail or oars, were permitted on the asking; books were numerous and well thumbed; liberty was no novelty; visiting parties to other ships were frequent; dinner parties were given on occasions of some holiday by the ship's company to the ships of our own or other nations; desertions and intemperance were rare; punishments seldom; the brig was unlocked and empty most of the time. She was a happy ship.

"Every violation of the regulations was severely punished, but never with violence or show; it was with regret, a few words of advice, an injunction to mend his ways, an appeal to his sense of manhood, and the delinquent was awarded his punishment, which was carried out to the letter. He was not branded; the road to gaining the confidence of his officers and the liberties he once enjoyed was open to him, and was graciously accepted."

## AMO PULCHRAM.

Referring to the suggestion in the Kansas City "Times," and to its review in the Army and Navy Journal, it should be borne in mind that the suggestion concerning the device for the collar of an officer's fatigue coat, viz.: That the letters U. and S. might be placed on opposite sides of the crossed sabres, shield, etc., was made before the order was issued promulgating the regulation device, and at a time when criticisms and suggestions were the rule. Before proceeding we will ask our mathematical friend to look at the cut of our suggestion and see if it still means nothing more to him than the prosaic product of U. and S.

Let us take another look at the letters U. and S. Where identity of Government property alone is desired, we find that the unmistakably plain "U. S." with all its periods is very useful. To this end, the "knight of the camel's hair brush" smears it upon packing boxes. It is stamped upon tin cups, pieces of harness and other articles of metal and leather. Again, when well and evenly burnt into the handle, it detracts nothing from the beauty of a Government shovel. Now, while the United States is undoubtedly entitled to the best services of the officers who wear the coat, the garment itself is by no



means Government property. Whenever the Government attempts to beautify, as well as identify, we find the grand old initials appears without punctuation—e. g. the belt plate of the soldier. Indeed, it is a well accepted principle in designing that punctuation is omitted; this is not because the design might possibly be made too plain or too clear, but because it should be plain enough without punctuation, which only takes up room that ought to be occupied by something prettier than a period.

This article is in no case to be construed as criticism of the deliberation of the informal uniform board convened by the Honorable Secretary of War, but simply as in defence of a position taken before its proceedings were published. The additions to and subtractions from the coat by the board were largely governed by the requirements of quantity and precision. The ability to know an officer's nationality, arm of the service, and also his regiment by simply looking at him with his coat on was the object desired. The insignia adopted certainly fulfills the requirement from the standpoint of this precise and quantitative test. And who can say the board has not done well in selecting the component parts of the device? If the arrangement of the parts might be improved upon, is that detrimental to the board? By no means. We might as well say that a soldier should also be an artisan.

The designs of our insignia have always been such that the most artistic eye might behold them with pleasure. Nothing can be more unique and symmetrical than the crossed sabres, cannon and rifles. The only fault found with them seems to have been that they did not show the nationality of the wearer; their defect was not in lack of beauty. Why may not this addition expressing the nationality be so placed as to add to the perspicuity without detracting from the unity and beauty of the device?

It is urged that when placed first and duly punctuated, the letters leave nothing doubtful or ambiguous in the meaning of the insignia. So far as identity is concerned, it is sufficient that the letters U. and S. appear in the ornament. To an American, their insignificance is unmistakable. Untrammeled by periods, we find these glorious letters rivalling the flag itself as symbols of national identity. Let us compare our harmless suggestion with the regulation device.

First—It occupies one inch less space on the crowded collar, viz.: the three-quarter inch space between the letters and the ornament + the one-quarter inch taken up by the periods.

Second—The devices are both unmistakably clear.

Third—It is believed that the suggestion is ornamental, to which term the present device has no claim.

Must we who are concerned wear, with bowed head, the present "read as you pass" device, and with shame-facedness behold it upon the necks of our comrades simply because no one has the candor to say it is ugly?

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## THE STATE TROOPS.

## AMENDMENTS TO NEW YORK CODE.

Assemblyman Wieman's bill amending sections 13, 14, 15, 18, 30, 51, 84, 120, 121, 125, 127 and 265, of the Military Code of New York, which has passed the legislature, and has been approved by the Governor, goes into effect immediately, and the new provisions should work to the advantage of the State force. There will be added to each regiment two battalion quartermasters, two battalion quartermaster sergeants and two battalion hospital stewards, and to each regiment of over 500 men one assistant inspector of rifle practice. In brief, the amendments are as follows: To a regiment or more than 500 enlisted men there may be appointed by the Commander-in-Chief an additional inspector of rifle practice. Additional second lieutenants are added to all the separate companies in the State. The staff officers of a battalion not a part of a regiment will include an adjutant, quartermaster, commissary of subsistence, inspector of rifle practice, surgeon and chaplain. The maximum strength of a signal corps is increased from two officers and 40 enlisted men to two officers and 45 men. The designation "signal," "officers," "separate," etc., is done away with. The chief signal officer with rank of Major may be assigned to the command of all the signal corps in the State. The chief of ordnance is no longer commissary general, that title being held only by the commissary general of subsistence and the chief of ordnance, as well as the other staff officers, is appointed by the Governor, without the consent of the Senate. The chief of ordnance term, instead of being for two years, as formerly, expires with that of the Governor.

Any commissioned officer who shall have served in the same grade for the continuous period of 10 years, or who may have served in the military or naval service of the State as a commissioned officer for 15 years, may, upon his own request, be placed on the retired list.

Each officer and enlisted man, mounted and equipped, will be paid reasonable compensation per day instead of the \$2 heretofore allowed, for each horse actually in use by him. Several staff officers in the matter of duty pay are put on an equality with general, field, line and other staff officers, in that they will receive the full pay and allowances of Regular Army officers of their grade.

## MASSACHUSETTS.

In a report to the Secretary of War, Maj. W. P. Miller, 5th U. S. Art., who was detailed for duty with the Massachusetts Militia last year, says, among other things: "The regiments and battalions can be concentrated in a very few hours, and thereafter can be moved to any of the points selected for concentration. The scope of the drills of the infantry includes those prescribed by the new infantry tactics, viz., the company battalion at both close and open order, and at brigade camp the regimental close and open-order drills. Two regiments tried battle formation and attack, and showed a good knowledge of the principles of attack.

"In watching any and all of the drills it was evident at once that the officers were well prepared, knew the drill and were good instructors, and generally had the manner of officers accustomed to command. In the regimental drills the Majors and Captains were prompt in executing the Colonel's commands, and in giving the necessary preparatory commands in readiness for the final command of execution. In cases of the few mistakes made, such mistakes were quickly rectified, showing a good understanding of the principles of the drill. I think all the infantry troops were proficient, both in drills and ceremonies. The artillery drill by the end of the camp was excellent. The cavalry also showed improvement at all kinds of drill.

"The personnel of the officers is excellent; all are well educated and intelligent men, and many are graduates of colleges. That of the enlisted men is very good, also. A majority look young, but, with few exceptions, are physically strong. The Medical Department of the State keeps a sharp watch upon the officers and enlisted men, and all physically weak or inefficient are recommended for discharge.

"In the First Corps of Cadets the personnel is remarkably good. The discipline is excellent. There is more or less intimacy between the enlisted men and the company officers, but any undue familiarity is corrected at once. Extreme courtesy is shown throughout. Salutes by juniors to seniors are always made and returned. The remarkable part is that there is no line drawn between the enlisted men and officers in this respect. The junior officers salute seniors, and it becomes easier for the enlisted men to do so."

The Boston Light Artillery, Bat. A, M. V. M., turned out for the first time since the reorganization to fire the salute for the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. on Monday, the 3d inst. Although not an officer or enlisted man of the old command was with the new outfit, which was itself new, everything was done in a creditable manner. On account of the inexperience of the drivers, the distances and intervals were poor and new sponge covers made the sponging irregular, but the gain in discipline and appearance more than made up for all the defects. Many of the officers and men formerly connected with the organization watched the firing on the Common, and the unanimous opinion was expressed that the destitutes of the oldest militia light battery in the United States had fallen into worthy hands.

## Encampment of First Brigade.

The 1st Brigade of the Massachusetts Militia held a very successful encampment at the State Camp ground, at South Framingham, during the week June 3-8. The encampment did not officially open until noon of Tuesday, but nearly every infantry organization was in camp the night previous. The first company to arrive on the field was B Co., 1st Regt. of Cambridge, which came over the road on bicycles, a distance of about 23 miles. They arrived in camp in time for dinner and just escaped a heavy shower which continued throughout the afternoon. The 6th Regt. also had a bicycle detachment, composed of two wheelmen from each company. Monday night proved to be one of the noisiest nights ever known on this field for many years and was a disgrace to the brigade and to the officers who should have prevented it and failed to do so. The regular nights of camp were as quiet as could be desired, although on Friday night the 2d Regt. had a few fireworks, the 6th Regt. a fire and some hoodlums from one of the Boston companies of the 1st Regt. discharged a cannon cracker. The field officer of the day on Friday night discovered both the officer of the day and officer of the guard of the 2d Regt. had retired and left the entire regiment in charge of a sergeant. It is needless to say that these officers were taught a lesson in regard to their duties which they should remember for some time. At this camp no dress uniforms were used, the men parading in full service uniform with campaign hats and leggings on all occasions.

Tuesday's weather was such that very little was done by any organization, although the 2d and 6th Regts. had evening parades with some success. It had been intended that the 1st Regt. should this day take to the road and march to Sherborn and bivouac for the night, but this event was postponed on account of heavy rain. The programme laid out by the brigade commander called for campaign duty by each of the regiments, but the 6th was the only regiment which left the field for this purpose, leaving at about 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Their actions were such and the weather was so threatening that at 7 o'clock they were ordered to return to camp, without gaining much knowledge in cooking or pitching shelter tents, which it was intended should be learned.

During Tuesday evening the two batteries arrived, having camped at Lincoln the night before, where they gained some practical knowledge of camp life, having traveled over

the road from Lawrence and Worcester on Monday. At 1:15 the various guard mounts were held, that of the 1st Regt. consisting of 140 men, making a guard which the new sergeant major found somewhat difficult to handle. There was no march past, the guard going directly to the guardhouse, where the brigade guard was detached. The attendance at the opening of camp was 2,502, the 1st leading with 748. In the afternoon the 2d and 6th Regts. shot their annual matches for the trophies offered by the State. In the 2d the Adams Co., M., won first place with score of 407, while Co. A, of Wakefield, with the same score led the 6th Regt. The 1st had their shoot on Thursday morning and the Cambridge Co. B made the highest score of the camp, 415, and won the trophy, this making the fourth it has won in the last four years. The leaders in each of the regiments held the same places last year.

Wednesday morning the brigade had a practice review and a few brigade movements, and at 10 o'clock the entire brigade again formed to be reviewed by Gen. Miles, of the Army. He was accompanied by Col. Breck, who was unfortunate enough to be thrown from his horse just as the reviewing party were preparing to ride around the brigade. It took 11 minutes for the party to pass around the brigade, and then it was put in motion and passed in review, and every company passed the reviewing officer in excellent shape. Gen. Miles afterward stated that it was the best review of militia he had ever seen. Certainly, the brigade did excellent work. In the afternoon the 6th Regt., with a strong advance guard and rear guard, marched to Sherborn, while the other regiments had spirited battalion drills followed by evening parades, which were well performed. At the close of the parade the regiments had a march past, under command of the sergeant major. The attendance for Wednesday was 2,535, the 1st Regt. leading with 761, while on Thursday the brigade total was 2,555, with 768 for the 1st Regt.

The weather Thursday was fine and a few guests arrived, no person being admitted within the lines without a pass, which the men have found to be a great advantage, and this should be continued at every camp. In the morning the 2d Regt. visited target hill and were instructed in camp cooking in a manner which they will not easily forget. After dinner the 1st Regt. followed the 2d and a few men saw a fire built and coffee made, which was, however, very good. For about two hours the regiment had a very spirited extended order drill in the thickets which cover the hill during which Capt. Frothingham, of D Co., lost himself and with his company came out in the rear of the cavalry stable at the other end of the field. After this drill the 1st had their field sports, and then returned to camp for supper, the prizes being presented at the evening band concert by Mayor Curtis, of Boston.

Friday was fine, and as a consequence this being the only regular visiting day, the camp was crowded with guests. The attendance of the troops was 2,542, the 1st Leading with 761. The review by the Governor was the event of the day, and was a grand success in every way, the alignments being excellent in almost every company, while none were really poor. A few companies lost distance, owing to the long, swinging step which Wallie Reeves gave the 1st, while a few officers gave their salutes at too great a distance from the reviewing officer. On the whole, however, the review was excellent, and all should be congratulated upon the results. The evening parades followed and wound up the week's work in grand style, every command doing its very best before the assembled thousands.

The present camp ground is not large enough for the parades of three commands at the same time, or even two, and there was more or less conflict at several formations during the week. Military courtesy was good during the encampment; guard duty was fairly performed, being worse on Friday than on any other day, owing to the fact that on this day the guard is almost sure to be composed of the newest men, as company commanders are anxious to make a good showing at the review. On Friday there were too many visitors, and next year the number of passes should be still further limited. The presence of uniformed enlisted men of other brigades should be prevented hereafter, several men of the 2d Brigade visiting this camp and acting in such a manner as to reflect discredit on this brigade.

Very little was done in heavy artillery work, and what was done with the old muzzle-loading mortars was time thrown away. Each infantry regiment has a Gatling gun, but no opportunity was given any detachment to use it. Every company ought to be instructed in the use of the Gatling, or else have permanent Gatling detachment to each regiment. The much-talked-of field manoeuvres and camping seemed to have been a fizzle, and very little if anything was learned by the brigade as a whole in these matters. There were as usual too many changes of orders and postponements, so that neither officers nor men could keep track of the routine of work. The officers as a whole are well informed, intelligent men, but there are many who should resign before another tour of duty, having either never been useful or by this time having outlived their usefulness. Very little drunkenness was seen at the camp, and men were generally very well behaved. A few men showed traits of character which proved them to be undesirable men to have in a force rated as high as that of Massachusetts. Saturday morning was spent in breaking camp, the tents being struck at 12:15.

Adj. Gen. Dalton, of Massachusetts, announces that Maj. Pharellus D. Bridges, 2d Regt., having rendered continuous service for a period of twenty years and upwards as a commissioned officer, is, upon his own application, retired with the rank of Major, to date from May 20, 1895. A school for medical officers will be held at the South Armory, Boston, on Thursday, June 20, 1895, at 3 o'clock P. M., Maj. William H. Devine, Surg., 9th Regt. of Inf., will preside. Subject: "The Duties of Medical Officers in Emergency Duty." The following named medical officers have been selected to read papers: Maj. David Clark, Surg., 2d Regt.; Maj. Ovis H. Marion, Surg., 1st Regt.; Maj. Benjamin R. Symonds, Jr., Surg., 2d Corps Cadets; Maj. Charles C. Forster, Surg., 5th Regt.; Lieut. Franklin G. Balch, Asst. Surg., Naval Brigade; Lieut. Robert Eddy Bell, Ambulance Corps, M. V. M.; Lieut. Charles W. Galloupe.

## SMALL ARMS FOR NEW YORK.

Assemblyman Abeel's bill, providing for a Board of Examiners for selecting improved firearms for the New York National Guard and appropriating \$300,000 for this purpose, provides for the appointment of three citizens of New York State to constitute the Board to test magazine guns. There is considerable speculation as to the purpose of the bill, why such a latitude is allowed for the appointment of citizens, and why it is made compulsory that all tests of the new arm to be selected shall take place on the State Camp grounds at Peekskill? There are no facilities there for the trial of arms, while there are ample facilities at the State rifle range at Creedmoor. The tests could have been better made at the Sandy Hook Proving Ground, where unrivaled facilities exist for them, and the government officials, it is known, would have been only too glad to give the Board every opportunity for the trial of new guns. Upon the adoption of the report and its approval by the Governor, the Adjutant General is authorized to enter into a contract for the purchasing and the delivery of the arm (not to exceed 15,000), at a cost not to exceed \$20 per gun. Why is the Ordnance Department of the State entirely ignored in the matter?

Another point that has been lost sight of is the absence of all reference to caliber. The bill, it is claimed, should have made it arbitrary with any Board appointed to have selected a caliber the same as that of the Army rifle, so that an interchange of ammunition could have been made in case of necessity, which past experience has frequently proved to be of vital importance. Six thousand dollars is appropriated for the expenses of this civilian Board, who are to receive a per diem compensation for services not to exceed \$20 per day, for the days upon which they are actually employed, and a clerk at \$10 per day. If officers of the National Guard, competent to handle the matter, had been selected, as they should have been, the State would have been saved a large expense and no suspicion of bribery would have been possible. As it now stands the Ordnance Department of the State and practical officers of the National Guard have been ignored entirely, and three citizens given practically unlimited power.

## 69th N. Y.—LT. COL. G. M. SMITH.

By the muster in of two additional companies this week the 69th is once again a regiment. This does not mean, however, that its condition, militarily speaking, has reached the standard desired, and the fact remains that a great deal of work has yet to be accomplished before this much desired end is reached. Improvement has commenced, and if Col. Smith is allowed to administer the affairs of the command without outside interference, matters will run smoothly. It would be folly to think of holding any elections for field officers for months to come. This is a matter of great seriousness to the future welfare of the command, and its officers must be able to select intelligently superiors that are fit to hold office and who can command the respect of the men. There are some excellent officers in the 69th at the present time, and there are also some who should be got rid of before any elections for field officers are authorized. The two new companies mustered in, which were organized by Lieuts. Spellman and O'Brien, should prove a valuable acquisition to the command, and appear to have been carefully recruited. All insinuations to the effect that the new companies have been put in through the influence of any particular faction are unfounded, and they represent no faction or party whatsoever. The company organized by Adj't. Spellman has been designated "G," and numbers 38 members. The company organized by Lieut. O'Brien was mustered in with 39 members, and has received the letter designation of "E." Maj. Montant, Inspector, 1st Brigade, was mustering officer, assisted by Maj. Crocker and Surg. McKim, Brigade Surgeon, and Asst. Surgs. Peck, of the 12th; Tuttle, of the 22d, and Bell, of the 71st Regts., and Fuchs, of the 1st Battery. Daniel J. Dowdney, of Co. D, 7th Regt., has been nominated for 1st Lieutenant of the company organized by O'Brien.

## CONNECTICUT.

First Lieut. A. A. Beach, commanding 3d Section Brigade Signal Corps, has been relieved from his duty as Acting Adjutant, on account of being Senior Lieutenant in the corps. Private Borgess, 3d Section, Signal Corps, has been promoted Corporal. Privates John Corcoran and Jeremiah Murphy, Co. D, 3d Regt., C. N. G., have been promoted Corporals.

The Army of the Potomac parade, on June 18, promises to be a grand affair. Brig. Gen. Haven, Chief Marshal, has appointed Maj. Walter Fitzmaurice Brigade Commissioner, his chief of staff; Col. A. C. Tyler, C. N. G., to be Marshal of the first division, and Capt. John H. Calef, 2d U. S. Art., Brevet Major, U. S. A., Marshal of the second division. The first division is to consist of Battery K, 2d U. S. Art., blue-jackets from the U. S. cruisers Atlanta and Raleigh, and probably the despatch boat Dolphin; 3d Regt., C. N. G., 3d Section Signal Corps, and 3d Section Machine Gun Battery. The second division will contain all the veteran organizations and such civil bodies as may choose to parade. There will probably be over 2,000 men in line.

The proposed changes in the military laws of the State are making National Guardsmen express themselves in pretty harsh terms. The worst of it is, after taking away our spring field day, the "Solons" at the Capitol in Hartford want to cut down the camp pay of enlisted men; but they leave the pay of the Governor's staff untouched, most of these officers having never seen a day's service, nor do they want to see any, excepting at parade, where they can show their pretty uniforms. The pay of a private is to be \$1.50 per day for six days, out of which he will have to pay \$3 for a year's dues, and \$3 more for white trousers, leggings, gloves and regimental assessments, and perhaps \$1 more for incidental expenses; then he will have just \$2 for his week's service in camp, and for that he has to leave his work and home to do his duty to the State. The State furnishes the bare, unfurnished room to the companies; out of the dues paid by each man we have to furnish and light the quarters and pay the janitor for keeping them clean. The State of Connecticut has always been very liberal to its Guardsmen, but since the farmer element got the upper hand in the Legislature, National Guard stock has fallen way down below par. The Brigade, C. N. G., will go to camp at Niantic, Conn., for six days, commencing Monday, Aug. 12.

## NEW JERSEY.

Adj. Gen. Stryker, of New Jersey, revokes G. O. 7, April 22, 1895, and announces that during the period from July 1, 1895, to Sept. 14, 1895, inclusive, a camp of instruction in rifle practice is established on the rifle range at the State Camp, Sea Girt, N. J. It is constituted a military post, the Inspector General of Rifle Practice commanding, or, in his absence, some officer detailed by him in orders. In recent regulation adopted, it laid down that applicants for enlistment in the National Guard of this State must be persons who are resident citizens thereof, between 18 and 45 years of age, of good character and habits, able-bodied, free from disease, and they must be able to speak, read and write the English language. Fort Infantry, height not less than 5 feet 6 inches; weight, not less than 128 pounds and not more than 190 pounds. For cavalry, the height of enlisted men must be not less than 5 feet 6 inches; weight, not more than 175 pounds. The different commands of the New Jersey Guard will practice at the Sea Girt Rifle Range this year as follows: 6th and 7th Regts., July 29 to Aug. 2; 3d Regt. and Gatling Gun Cos. A and B, Aug. 5 to 9; 1st Regt., Aug. 12 to 16; 4th Regt., Aug. 19 to 23; 2d Regt., Aug. 23 to 30. Maj. John V. Allstrom, 3d Regt., has been assigned by Gov. Werts to the temporary command of the 2d Troop, recently organized at Red Bank, N. J.

## OHIO.

The 1st Regt. of Light Artillery, Ohio N. G., will go into camp for its annual tour on June 21 on the permanent Camp Grounds at Newark, O. The grounds have been placed in better shape than ever before, and the regiment is looking forward to a very useful practical camp. Dress uniforms will be left at home; cooking will be done on field service principles, all stoves and ranges being forbidden; a series of practical papers on military subjects will be read by officers before the officers' and non-commissioned officers' schools; plenty of ammunition has been ordered for target practice, and the usual mounted drills will take place. Lieut. John W. Ruckman, 1st Art., U. S. A., has again been detailed by the War Department to inspect the regiment. Batteries E, of Akron, and C, of Zanesville, with the Hospital Corps and Ambulance, will make the march to Camp overland from Zanesville, a distance of about 30 miles. Battery D, of Toledo, will also probably march a part of the way to Camp this year. Owing to the fact that there was no camp last year, and also that the greater part of the Guard saw active service within the past 12 months, the camps this summer are of more than usual interest to officers and men. The tendency all along the line is to bring the camps down to practical field service conditions as far as possible.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

An election for 1st Lieutenant of Co. A, State Fencibles Battalion, N. G. P., has been ordered for June 18. Joseph McKee has been appointed Hospital Steward of the State Fencibles Battalion. E. Claude Goddard has been appointed Lieutenant and Inspector of Rifle Practice of the 6th Regt., N. G. P., and on the evening of June 11 entertained the field and staff officers of the regiment at a dinner, given at the Colonade Hotel, Philadelphia. Col. Bowman, 1st Regt., announced the season for rifle practice, and states that in addition to the regular work on the range, there will be a regimental contest for teams of four enlisted men from each of the several companies, to be known as the "Mears-Wiseman Trophy Matches," the trophies having been donated by Messrs. W. A. Mears and John Wiseman. To the individual member of any team, having the best general average during the entire monthly con-

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tests, shall be awarded a gold medal, and he shall be classed as a distinguished marksman.

Private B. B. Osborn, of Co. B, 3d Regt., N. G. P., has been elected 2d Lieutenant, and has passed the required examination.

## VERMONT.

Adjt. Gen. Peck, of Vermont, announces under date of June 10, that Col. George H. Bond, 1st Regt. Inf., is assigned to command the troops assembled for competition in drill and rifle shooting near Fort Ethan Allen, June 20, 1895. Lieut. Col. Charles E. Nelson, Brigade Inspector of Rifle Practice, and Capt. John D. Wyman, Inspector of Rifle Practice, 1st Regt. Inf., will report to Col. Bond at Fort Ethan Allen, June 20, 1895, as Range Officers. The following officers will also report for duty to Col. Bond during the competition; Capt. George O. Webster, A. D. C., as Adj't. and Statistical Officer, and Asst. Surg. Benjamin C. Senton, 1st Regt., as Medical Officer. By courteous permission of Maj. Lewis T. Morris, 3d U. S. Cav., commanding Post, the new and commodious range at Fort Ethan Allen may be used by the State troops for the competition. A camp ground will be selected near the range. The competition will be in both drill and target shooting, the total scores at 200, 300 and 500 yards counting equally with proficiency in drill.

## NAVAL MILITIA.

The \$25,000 appropriated for the Naval Militia by Congress, after withholding \$500 for instruction books, has been allotted as follows:

	Men.	Amount.
New Jersey	216	\$1,963.64
California	313	2,845.45
North Carolina	255	2,318.18
Pennsylvania	167	1,518.18
South Carolina	165	1,500.00
Massachusetts	498	3,718.18
Connecticut	71	645.46
Maryland	174	1,581.81
Rhode Island	100	900.00
New York	387	3,518.18
Illinois	199	1,800.00
Michigan	187	1,700.00
Georgia	52	472.73
Totals	2,695	\$24,500.00

**NEW JERSEY.**—Largely through the efforts of ex-Lieut. W. H. Jaques, U. S. N., who has been assigned to command the New Jersey Naval Militia, an auxiliary association in which are some of the most prominent and wealthiest men of the State, has been formed, to be known as the Naval Reserve Association of New Jersey. Its officers are: President, F. Wolcott Jackson; Vice-Presidents, E. A. Stevens and Mr. Jaques; Trustees, Clark Fisher, Frederick Frelinghuysen, John Kean, A. C. Oliphant, James Randolph, John P. Stockton and P. F. Wanzer; Secretary, Washington Irving, formerly Lieutenant, J. G., in the Naval Reserve of this State, and Treasurer, E. E. Bond. Among the associate members are such men as Gen. Grubb, Congressman Geisselhauser, Garret A. Hobart, Thomas L. James, ex-Senator McPherson, J. Rogers Maxwell, Lewis Nixon, Congressman R. Wayne Parker, Senator Sewell and Gov. Werts. By forming a social organization, as was done in the New York Naval Reserve, sufficient money will be raised, the dues being \$10 a year for each member, to put the organization on a satisfactory basis. Leave for three months from June 1, 1895, having been granted to Capt. William H. Jaques, commanding the Naval Reserve, Comdr. Charles Dahlgren, Battalion of the West, will assume command of the Naval Reserve from the date above mentioned. The Haddonfield and Camden Divisions of the Battalion of the West were mustered into the service of the State on the evening of May 23, by Lieut. Washington Irving, an Aide to the Commander of the Naval Force, Capt. Jaques. The Camden Division numbered forty-four men, and the Haddonfield Division about forty, Capt. Chas. Dahlgren, of Trenton, has been elected Commander of the Battalion; Harry Day, Junior Lieutenant, and Clarence McClinton, Senior Ensign of the Camden Division, and Charles S. Braddock, Jr., Junior Lieutenant of the Haddonfield Division. It is proposed to organize an Engineer Corps to be attached to the 1st Division, a Signal Corps to be attached to the 2d Division, and a Bugle and Drum Corps to be attached to the 3d Division. Gov. Werts has written a letter to the Secretary of the Navy, asking the permanent assignment of the monitor Montauk for the use of the Battalion of the West, to be located at Camden. Weekly instruction has been inaugurated in rope splicing, revolver practice, infantry drill, etc., and as soon as the necessary arrangements have been made, weekly boat drills will be had by both divisions.

**MASSACHUSETTS.**—Orders have not yet been issued by the Navy Department to the vessels which are to co-operate with the Naval Brigade on the coming tour of duty, but it is probable that the New York, Columbia, with at least one other cruiser, possibly the Minneapolis, will be the vessels designated. It is understood that the Assistant Secretary's idea is to put the major part of the regular crews upon the U. S. receiving ship Wabash, as was done two years ago when a part of the brigade went to sea in the San Francisco and Miantonomoh. The men are anxious to make another trip on the ocean, so that the actual working of a ship's company may be seen by all hands. The fleet will probably leave the harbor Monday afternoon, July 29, returning on the Saturday following. The messes will be made up as far as practicable before going on board, and will be allowed to carry extra stores. With such a capable officer as Lieut. Niblack to arrange the details, the cruise is looked forward to by the brigade with much pleasure.

## NATIONAL GUARD ITEMS.

2d Lieut. M. M. Miles, Co. E, 22d N. Y., was elected 1st Lieutenant on June 10.

The members of Squadron A. N. Y., have abandoned the idea of making a practice march in Virginia in conjunction with the Washington Light Infantry.

Brig. Gen. McLeer, 2d N. Y. Brigade, has appointed Capt. W. E. C. Mayer, 13th Regt., Inspector; Capt. C. W. Tracy,

A. D. C., Commissary, and E. Gulick, from civil life, A. D. C.

The Chicago lake front is to be so improved as to include a great park about a mile long and several thousand feet in width. A military parade ground is also provided for in the plans.

Lieut. Horace C. Du Val, Co. I, 7th N. Y., private secretary to President Chauncey M. Depew, will sail next month for Europe on one of the American Line steamships. Mr. Depew will also go on an American Line vessel.

"If Col. Miner, Inspr. Gen. of Rifle Practice, wants to be come popular with the rank and file of the division," says the Pittsburg (Pa.) "Dispatch," "he will see that enlisted men of the Guard do the scoring this fall at the State rifle range, Mount Gretna, and not a lot of hobos from Lebanon. If enlisted men are in the pits there will be less cause for mistreating the returned scores. The system of scoring at the State shoot is an evil that should be wiped out. The State pays the hobos a dollar a day and board, and it would be but a small extra expense to have its soldiers do the work." Adj. J. W. Hubbard, of the 14th Regt., has resigned.

There has been considerable hustling among different commands in the 1st and 2d Brigades, N. Y., the past few days in connection with the inspection of books and papers by the Inspector General's Dept. Some of the books and company records and papers were, it is almost needless to state, in a disgraceful condition, no care having been taken to keep them corrected up to date. Quite a number of officers who did not desire to be caught napping, spent a large amount of time in writing up their books and arranging files of orders, etc. These inspections are a step in the right direction, and if made regularly will result in a proper keeping of books and papers, which at present is too much neglected.

The 25th annual banquet of the 9th Regt. Drum and Fife Corps was held at Winter's, in West 24th St., on the evening of June 11. Drum Maj. Hill, well known as one of the oldest and ablest drum majors in the National Guard, presided. Col. Seward and other officers of the regiment attended. Drum Maj. Hill was born at West Point, N. Y., and has been in active service since 1857, both in the Army and National Guard. He has served as drum major of the 8th U. S. Inf. and 1st U. S. Art. He was appointed drum major of the 9th in 1870 by Col. James Fisk, Jr. The dinner proved a great success, and the veteran drum major and his highly celebrated corps received many compliments during the evening from Col. Seward and other guests. Drum Major Hill was presented with a silver loving cup by the officers of the regiment and a set of resolutions by his corps.

Brig. Gen. Robert Shaw Oliver, 3d N. Y. Brigade, N. Y., who has been appointed Police Commissioner in Albany, is an ex-volunteer and Army officer of distinguished service. He entered the volunteer service as second lieutenant of the 5th Massachusetts Cavalry on Oct. 13, and was afterwards A. D. C. and A. A. G. He saw considerable service in the campaign before Petersburg and Richmond in the Army of the Potomac and in the Army of the James. He was in Texas with the Army of Observation under Gen. Sheridan. He entered the regular service as second Lieutenant of the 17th U. S. Infantry on Feb. 23, 1863, and resigned July 27 of the same year. He was appointed second lieutenant, 8th U. S. Cavalry, July 28, 1866, and was promoted first lieutenant on March 7, 1867. Gen. Oliver had a considerable experience in Arizona, California and Oregon, and in the campaigns against the Apaches and the Utes. He resigned from the Army Oct. 31, 1869, and moved to Albany, where he entered the National Guard as colonel of the 10th Regt. He was appointed inspector general of the State of New York under Gov. Cornell, and resigned Dec. 31, 1882. On Jan. 10, 1883, he was elected brigadier general of the 5th Brigade, resigning on Jan. 5, 1888. On Dec. 30, 1890, Gen. Oliver was appointed brigadier general of his present command, the 3d Brigade, making almost continuous service since 1864. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Army of the Potomac, of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, and of the Potomac Cavalry Corps.

## COMING EVENTS.

June 1 to 26.—Annual camp 1st Light Art., Ohio, at Newark, Ohio.

June 13 to 22.—Camp of District of Columbia Militia at Fort Washington.

June 18.—Excursion of Veterans of 47th N. Y. to Point View Grove, L. I.

June 22.—Opening of N. Y. State Camp.

July 1.—Opening of Wisconsin N. G. Camp at Camp Douglas, Wis.

July 16.—Camp of 1st Corps of Cadets, Massachusetts, at Hingham.

July 20 to 27.—Camp of 3d Brigade, Penn. N. G., at Mount Gretna.

July 20 to 27.—Camp of 1st Brigade, Pennsylvania N. G., at Sanatoga.

July 29.—Sixth annual cruise of the Massachusetts Naval Brigade.

Aug. 3 to 10.—Camp of 3d Brigade, Pennsylvania N. G., at Glencairn, near Pittsburgh.

Aug. 5 to 10.—March out of 65th Regt., N. Y.

Aug. 7.—Camp of Michigan State troops at Island Lake.

Aug. 12 to 17.—Camp of Connecticut N. G., at Niantic.

## WANTS THE NAMES OF ITS WAR VETERANS.

The history of the 22d Regt., which Gen. Wingate has been writing at the request of the board of officers, is now about to be placed in the hands of the printer. While the regiment has obtained the names of a number of its members who left it during the war to serve in the regulars or volunteers, the list is yet far from complete. It is estimated that there were over 150 members of the 22d Regt. who thus served in different capacities, a number of whom were killed or wounded in service. The regiment desires to publish all their names in the history. It greatly regrets that no list exists of these names and that they can be only ascertained from their individual friends and acquaintances. It, therefore, earnestly requests that any

person who knows the name of any member of the 22d who served in any other organization in the Army or Navy during the war, to send his name and the particulars of his service to Gen. George W. Wingate, No. 20 Nassau St., New York City, as soon as possible. It is not necessary that the names should be sent of those who served in the field with the 22d itself, as these will be obtained from the War Department.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

S.—Present regulations forbid the enlistment of minors.

A SUBSCRIBER.—There are no General Service Clerks and Messengers now. The position is a civilian one under appointment of the Secretary of War.

J. P. R. asks if any candidate to Annapolis from Kansas has passed, and if so from what district? Answer.—Only one candidate, Gleason, 6th District, was examined. He passed.

X. Y. Z. asks: When there will be a vacancy for the Naval and Military Academies in the 7th N. Y. District? Answer.—Vacancy 7th N. Y. District, Naval Academy, 1900; Military Academy, 1898.

W. G. G. asks if Col. Robert Nugent, late of the 60th N. Y. Volunteers, is still living, and his present address? Answer.—Col. R. Nugent, U. S. A., retired, is living at 322 McDonough St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

W. R. asks if the appointment of graduates of the Naval Academy to the Revenue Cutter Service will have the effect of discontinuing the appointment of persons to the grade of cadet in the service? Answer.—No.

BOATSWAIN.—The text-books used at the Naval Academy are: In analytical geometry, Smith's Conic Sections, and Aldis' Solid Geometry; in the Calculus, Rice and Johnson's Differential Calculus, and Johnson's Integral Calculus.

P. L. A.—The Army service men in the Q. M. Department at West Point have by law (June 20, 1890) the same pay, allowances, etc., as they had while in service as an artillery detachment at West Point. See G. O. 72, A. G. O., 1890, page 6.

A. B. C.—Par. 1511, Army Regulations, prescribes: "Both debts and interest thereon will be forfeited by desertion, but are exempt from forfeiture by sentence of court martial and from liability for the soldier's debts." This answers your question.

SUBSCRIBER asks: (1) When does Col. E. F. Townsend, U. S. A., retire? (2) Where are the whereabouts of Lieut. P. P. Powell, 9th Cav.? Answer.—(1) Col. Townsend retires on July 14, 1897. (2) Lieut. P. P. Powell is at Fort Robinson, Neb., on duty with his regiment.

R.—Kautz's "Customs of Service" was published in 1864, by J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia, Pa. The price was \$1, we believe. By writing to the firm a copy might be obtained, but we doubt if any copies are now to be found except in official and private libraries.

A. W. E. asks if a vacancy now exist, or, if not, when one will, in the ordinary course, exist at West Point from the 2d Congressional District of Maryland? Answer.—The 2d District candidate has just been appointed for existing vacancy, and was up for examination June 13.

A. F. S., Fort Sheridan.—You would have to be a musician and enlisted as such of the second class. Your pay would then be \$30 per month, with a ration of \$5. You could not enlist as a sailor and be transferred. There is generally a good chance for a competent musician to enter the service.

ANXIOUS asks: Can you tell me what has become of a paper known as the "Guardians," which was published in New York? It was issued at irregular periods, and finally failed to appear at all, nor can I find out anything about it. Answer.—The paper in question has suspended for an indefinite period.

HOPEFUL asks the names of the principal and the alternate ordered to appear from the 15th N. N. Congressional District at the U. S. Naval Academy on Sept. 1 for examination; also the names of principal and alternate to the Military Academy for '96? Answer.—For the Naval Academy, Kelly is the name of principal; no alternate. No Military Academy candidates will be examined on Sept. 1.

J. R. asks where Sergt. Ley, Co. A, 5th Inf., stands on the list for commissary sergeant? Is his present standing exclusive of those now undergoing examination? Where does Sergt. Titus stand, same company; and also where does Sergt. Flack, regimental quartermaster sergeant of the 5th Inf., stand when ordered up for examination. Answer.—Sergt. Ley stands number 26; Sergt. Titus stands number 41 and Sergt. Flack stands number 11.

J. N. J.—Candidates for admission to the Naval Academy must, at the time of their examination for admission, be not less than 15 nor more than 20 years of age, and physically sound. The President is entitled to make 10 appointments at large annually, and the same rules of qualification govern as in other appointments. If you write to the Superintendent of the Naval Academy he may be able to furnish you with printed instructions concerning the regulations governing the admittance of cadets.

W. F. H. asks: (1) Where he can obtain a copy of the present drill regulations governing the U. S. Navy, and also the probable cost of same? (2) If Gen. Myers' Manual of the Signal is the present regulation governing military signaling? Answer.—(2) Myers' Manual, of 1879, is still in use, although much of it is, of course, now obsolete. (1) The edition of the Navy Regulations is exhausted. A revision has just been completed, and will be published when appropriations for the naval service become available after July 1.

INQUISITIVE asks: (1) The name of the candidate and alternate to the Naval Academy appointed from the 8th Congressional District of New Jersey? (2) When the present Rear Admirals will retire? (3) When will the Monongahela return from her cruise? Answer.—(1) There has been no candidate yet appointed to the Naval Academy from the 8th District of New Jersey. (2) The flag officers with rank of Rear Admiral will retire as follows: G. C. Carpenter, Feb. 27, 1898; J. G. Walker, March 20, 1897; F. M. Ramsay, April 5, 1897; G. Brown, June 19, 1897; L. A. Beardslee, Feb. 1, 1898; and W. A. Kirkland, July 3, 1898. (3) The Monongahela will return to U. S. by Sept. 1 next from Madeira by way of Bermuda.

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A committee from the New York Society of the Sons of the American Revolution are engaged in the patriotic attempt to convert the battle grounds at Stoney Point on the Hudson into a National Park. It is an excellent committee, with Gen. Thomas Wilson, U. S. A., chairman, and Col. Fred Dent Grant, Stephen Mott Wright,

Ira Bliss Stewart and Edward Hagaman Hall members. The fact that valuable clay for the manufacture of bricks is excavated on the ground—the station of the West Shore Railroad being built of brick made from the blood-stained soil—may prove an obstacle to the acquisition of the property for the purpose of a State or National Park. The Government already owns that portion of the Point lying east of a line running north and south just west of the site of the main fort on which the lighthouse now stands.

In the Journal of June 8, 1895, among Ordnance Notes, it was stated that the Lee gun, lately accepted by the U. S. Navy, was commenced at the Remington Works, Ilion, N. Y., six years ago. We learn from Mr. Lee that he conceived an idea of a straight pull at an earlier date than mentioned. He went to the works of Pratt & Whitney Co. in the early part of 1892, Hartford, Conn., with his crude wood model. A gun was then constructed and entered for trial before the Army Board. Since that time the Pratt & Whitney Co. have made three others, all of different construction, the last especially designed to handle the Navy .236 ammunition.

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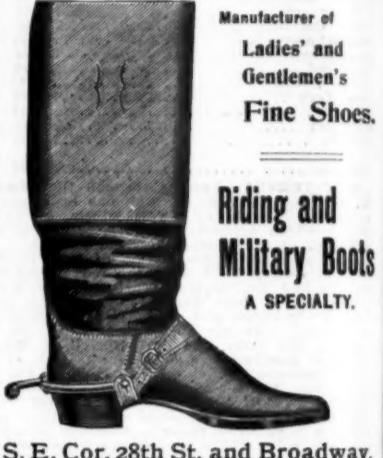


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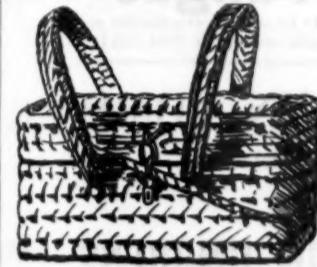
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HAMILTON—CHAFFEE.—At Fort Robinson, Neb., June 12, 1895, Lieut. George French Hamilton, 9th U. S. Cav., to Miss Kate Grace Chaffee, daughter of Col. and Mrs. A. R. Chaffee.

MCLURE—WRIGHT.—At Ross Valley, Marin County, Cal., June 8, 1895, Mr. John M. McClure, of the U. S. Treasury at San Francisco, to Miss Louise Kimball Wright, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Stuart S. Wright, of Fresno, Cal., and granddaughter of the late Commo. William E. Hopkins, of the U. S. Navy.

MAXWELL—COMLY.—At Christ Church, Clarksburg, W. Va., Mr. Marvin Rice Maxwell to Miss Elma Comly, daughter of the late Maj. Clifton Comly, Ord. Dept., U. S. Army.

MALONE—KERWIN.—June 12, 1895, Lieut. P. B. Malone, 13th Inf., to Miss Gertrude E. Kerwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Kerwin, of New York.

STEPHENS—HEDBERG.—On June 5, 1895, at Grace Church, Chicago, by Rev. E. M. Stires, Mr. Raymond Stephen Stephens to Mrs. Jennie A. Hedberg.

SAWYER—AUSTIN.—June 12, 1895, at Grace Church, New York, Adeline Elwell, daughter of Col. David E. Austin, to Willis Lee Sawyer, of Montclair, N. J.

WOOD—FRYER.—At Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 12, 1895, Lieut. Spencer S. Wood, U. S. N., to Miss M. Margaretta Fryer.

**BIRTHS.**  
WINLEY.—At Annapolis, Md., June 2, 1895, to the wife of Capt. Walter L. Finley, 9th Cav., twin sons.

GERRARD.—At Lebanon, Tenn., June 5, 1895, to the wife of Lieut. Charles Gerhardt, 8th Inf., a son.

## DIED.

BUCK.—At Millboro, Texas, June 5, 1895, Bernard, infant son of Lieut. and Mrs. B. B. Buck, 16th Inf., aged 5 months and 5 days.

GALE.—At Annapolis, Md., June 7, 1895, Lieut. Gale, wife of Lieut. R. H. Galt, U. S. N.

GIVEN.—At Philadelphia, Pa., June 4, Lieut. Chaplain Robert Given, U. S. N., retired.

MACLEAN.—At Washington, D. C., Rev. John Maclean, father of the wife of Lieut. James A. Lynch, 15th U. S. Inf.

RAWOLLE.—Capt. William C. Rawolle, U. S. A., late of Fort Logan, Colo., suddenly of heart failure, on Monday morning, June 10, at the residence of his brother, F. Rawolle, No. 263 Hicks St., Brooklyn. The funeral services were held June 12 at 3 P. M.

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